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'Calm, rational decisions are needed'

# Doctor warns of danger to octuplets

BY DOMINIC KENNEDY AND CAROL MIDGLEY

THE consultant Mandy Allwood yesterday called for her to be left in peace, for fear that excessive public interest could harm her and her eight unhorn babies.

Miss Allwood, who is 14 weeks pregnant, has been advised that she could earn up to £1 million if all eight survived and she has signed a contract with The News of the World, but Professor Kypros Nicolaides yesterday urged the newspaper to withdraw from the deal, saying it could affect her judgment.

There is a potential indirect danger to the babies, and also there is the problem that it will be very hard to make calm, rational decisions about a matter of life and death," he

Miss Allwood, 31, has said that she wants to go ahead with the pregnancy in the face of advice that she should allow some foetuses to be aborted to give the others a better chance sister, Jackie Burgess, confirmed that that was still her view. "She doesn't want any prodding and poking around and getting rid of this, that or the other. She believes they

stand a chance of being born. "At the moment, they are all healthy and as they should be. She's just going to try and hang on to them for as long as she can. She's just hoping to get to 24 weeks so there is a chance they will all survive."

However, MPs and medical experts have expressed concern that Miss Allwood's determination to continue with the pregnancy may have been



Tragic really — 30 in one go and she forgot to call Max Clifford

influenced by her financial contract with The News of the World and the publicist Max Clifford — although Mr Clifford denied yesterday that she amount of cash she received would depend on how many

babies were born alive. took over Miss Allwood's case after the multiple pregnancy had been diagnosed, said that most people faced with a multiple birth opted for selective reduction, and while he said there were no right or wrong decisions, he added: "I am not aware of a single case in history where somebody successfully delivered eight

There are major decisions which need to be taken with regard to the management of the whole pregnancy, but I do not believe these decisions should be influenced by external factors, including financial

considerations. If you have a pregnancy with eight foetuses and you add to that the fact that every decision you take is going to be scrutinised and questioned and talked about by politicians, your family, other groups and the world's media, then it is even more stressful.

The likelihood of all the babies being born alive is very small, and the media make it even more difficult to treat such a case. I urge all of the media to let this story settle now." Asked if he would like The News of the World to withdraw, he said: "Very much so."

Professor Nicolaides, head of foetal medicine at King's College Hospital, London, added that he might go to the Press Complaints Commis-sion if his patient remained in the spotlight.

However, The News of the World - whose representatives are guarding Miss the Home Counties - said that she was entirely satisfied with their agreement, It provided not only substantial financial security, but other practical support too", but if she decided to withdraw, the newspaper would not stand in her way. Stuart Kuttner, the paper's managing editor, added: "She is a mature lady who

has taken a decision about her own life." Roger Gale, chairman of the Conservative backbench media committee, also said that

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# August monsoon brings flood chaos

By STEPHEN FARRELL AND KATE ALDERSON

EUROPE'S August monsoon showed no sign of relenting yesterday. A traveller returning from a soaking few

days in Italy, Switzerland or Spain would have been greeted on his return across the Channel with the sight of flooded streets in Kent. Firefighters had to use boats to rescue people from buildings standing

in up to 6lt of water. Cars and motorcycles were swept away and six people were injured in Folkestone when a shop collapsed as 2.4in of rain - the monthly average - fell on the

town in seven hours. Folkestone was the area worst hit by the freak storms as an underground pipe channelling a stream broke under the pressure and burst into the sewerage system.

Telephone and electricity lines were cut and traffic on the M20 was halted by poor visibility. One witness, David Hebditch, said:

"It was all so quick. One minute there was just spatterings of rain after an earlier thunderstorm, then the waters

just started to go up and up."

Geoffrey Cooper, for Kent Fire
Brigade, said: "We had stories of collapsed sewers, widespread flooding and we even mobilised our two inland boats to help to rescue people from first-floor buildings. The water pressure swept away manhole covers and

one out-building in a park in Folkestone collapsed.

Hythe and Ashford were without electricity after a lightning strike cut supplies. The Eurostar rail services through the Channel Tunnel were among trains delayed because signalling at Ashford was affected.

Kent Fire Brigade took one emergency call every 20 seconds as rescue workers searched collapsed buildings to make sure no one was trapped More than 40 people were rescued and nine were taken to hospital.

The downpour was caused by a low pressure system in the North Sea and light winds over east Kent which kept thunder clouds overhead instead of driving them inland.

Although the rest of Britain was unaffected, some areas basking in warm sunshine, thunderstorms have swept the continent including northern France, the Low Countries, Alps, Austria and the Balkans.

Tuscany, where the Labour leader Tony Blair is holidaying, was hit by storms over the weekend but escaped yesterday. John Major, in Cannes. enjoyed finer weather.

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#### **Buchanan backs** Dole campaign

The Republican party convention opened with another boost for Bob Dole when Pat Buchanan abandoned his threat to form a breakaway party, declared a temporary truce in his war with the Republican establishment. and ordered his rebel army to start working for President Clinton's defeat.......Page 13

#### Lloyd's names action delayed

Rebel names were granted extra time to prepare their legal challenge against Lloyd's of London, after a judge said that the action could have an "explosive" effect. Lloyd's said that victory for the group represent-ing 3,000 names, would kill a proposed £3.2 billion rescue package.....

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landmark building were the reasons. "We are in the early stages of examining our needs," said Andrew Yemma. a spokesman.

The classical-style exchange, built in 1903, is a splendid curiosity amid Manhattan's skyscrapers. Its revival columns, a draw for tourist bus tours, embodied the exchange's status as a temple to deal-making. It survived the First World War, when the exchange closed, and it overcame the crash of 1929.

Inside, however, working conditions have not kept pace with techonology. In the Eighties, when so much business could be done on computer screens, some of the great brokerage houses moved to Manhattan's Midtown, De-spite the diaspora, "Wall Street" remains the generic term for the city's financial

England and Wales, Isobel Macdonald

Davies, Deputy Registrar-General for England and Wales, said: These

words . . . give people choice." But, she

added, couples often chose poetry and

other readings to supplement the legally required words. Most register

office weddings take from 15 to 30

The new form is for use in register

# **Tension rises as Serbs** veto bid to seize Mladic

By MICHAEL EVANS AND EVE-ANN PRENTICE

BOSNIAN Serbs refused to an Serb leader, who recently allow Nato forces access to a heavy weapons site in what is thought to be an attempt to prevent the arrest of General Ratko Mladic, the Bosnian Serb army commander.

Their refusal is in breach of the Dayton peace accord. The weapons site at Han Pijesak, east of Sarajevo, is the head-quarters of General Mladic, who has been indicted on war crimes charges by the international war crimes tribunal at The Hague, General Mladic is believed to have been at the Han Pijesak site, a series of heavy weapons bunkers. when the Nato inspection team tried to gain access last

Friday. The Nato-led Implementation Force (Ifor) of 52,000 troops has orders to arrest on sight General Mladic and Radovan Karadzic, the Bosni-

New law makes it easier to marry in haste

was forced to step down as President. Dr Karadzic has also been indicted as an alleged war criminal.

After a three-day stand-off with the Serbs at Han Pijesak, Lieutenant-General Sir Michael Walker, the British Ifor commander, put into immediate operation a comprehensive security plan, codenamed Operation Fear Naught, for all Nato ground forces in Bosnia.

As tension rose yesterday, the Serbs appeared to back down. Biljana Plavsic, who replaced Dr Karadzic as Serb President, said Nato would be allowed to inspect the site. She was speaking after a meeting with Peter Feith, political adviser to Admiral Joseph Lopez, overall Nato commander of the Bosnian operation. The inspection was expected to take place in the next 24 to 48

Church in Wales, Quakers and Jewish

community can legally use their own

Under the Marriage Act 1949, the

Declaration: "I do solemnly declare

that I know not of any lawful

impediment why I, AB, may not be

Words of Contract: "I call upon these

persons here present to witness that I.

AB, do take thee, CD, to be my lawful

joined in matrimony to CD."

hours, Mr Feith said in Pale, the Serb stronghold. Under Operation Naught, all troops in isolated

positions in Republika Sroska, the autonomous province created under Dayton, were ordered yesterday to pull back to secure Ifor bases. An Ifor official said: "We have a lot of troops in small units acting in a liaison role or working with civilians. As a precautionary measure, General Walker has ordered them all to withdraw to larger, more

secure areas." The general also recommended that all non-governmental organisations and other international civilian hodies should withdraw their foreign staff from Republika Srpska as soon as possible. UN police officers on Serb territory were ordered to pull back to peace force bases.

wedded wife (or husband)." Under the

Marriage Ceremony (Prescribed Words) Act 1996, the words are: Declaration: Either "I declare that I

know of no legal reason why I [name]

may not be joined in marriage to

[name]." Alternatively the couple may

answer "I am" to the question "Are you

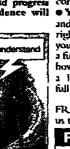
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# **Anti-crime Bills** boost Howard's claim to inherit

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR

MICHAEL HOWARD is pre paring to introduce four substantial Bills in the autumn in a move that seems certain to enhance his stature on the right of the party.

The Home Secretary will be at the centre of political debate in the last months of the current Parliament as he unveils Bills for minimum sentences for drug dealers and burglars and automatic life sentences for second-time rapists; for a voluntary identity card scheme; and for a crime squad to tackle organised crime. His fourth Bill will contain measures to tighten controls on guns.

For one Cabinet minister to have four big Bills in any parliamentary session is unusual. But for Mr Howard to achieve that in a Parliament that will inevitably be cut short by the general election means that he will have the highest profile of any senior minister in the vital months

The Cabinet is understood to have given Mr Howard approval in principle to intro-duce the Bills and he is



Howard: wins whatever the election result

reported to be determined to use them to strengthen the Conservatives' law and order credentials in the election, which will almost certainly take place next April or May. If the Conservatives lose the

election there is likely to be a weeks as John Major stands down. Influential Conservative MPs believe that it is

# New poster, new danger as Tory slogan backfires

THE Conservative Party faced a growing backlash last night from a senior churchman and Tory MPs over its poster portraying Tony Blair with

demonic burning red eyes. The Rt Rev Richard Harries. Bishop of Oxford warned that it was dangerous to draw on satanic imagery and appealed to politicians to resist any further personal attacks on their opponents. John Biffen, a former Cabinet minister, urged the party to adopt the traditional methods of argument and political debate. He said that there was plenty of ammunition with which the Tories could criti-

In an article in The Times today Michael Portillo, the Defence Secretary, who is coordinating the summer offensive against Labour. acknowledged that some Conservatives regretted the attacks on their opponents. But he defended the posters.

He wrote: "We have to expose the reality and make the dangers clear. Mr Blair's face is the face of New Labour. His is the smile of reassurance. From his lips come the pleasing soundbites. On the face of new Labour we put the

red eyes symbolising danger." Despite Mr Portillo's defence. the Tories appeared last night to have taken the criticism to heart. Officials made clear that the poster was a one-off and that there were no plans to rerun it. "I don't think it will ever be seen again," said one

Sir Julian Critchley, the veteran Tory MP for Aldershot, said: "The poster is childish, counter-productive, and turns voters off. I could barely believe it when I saw it. do not know what has become of our advertising department. It is just not credible to paint Tony Blair as clever to work." A senior member of the

Tory backbench 1922 Committee: "It is bloody awful. It is typical of why the voters have lost so much respect for politicians. We are living in the age of the pygmy."

The poster carried comments from Clare Short, from her interview in the New Statesman last week about the "dark forces" surrounding Mr Blair. It was devised by the party's advertising agency for Brian Mawhinney, the party the right-wing vote as be-tween John Redwood and Michael Portillo.

Some members of the 1922 Committee executive say that Mr Howard, who has been scrupulously loyal to Mr Major, is emerging as a candidate for the Right's vote because of

his strong Euro-scepticism and backing for various rightwing causes. But they also believe that he will appeal to a wider section of the party if it concludes that Kenneth Clarke and Michael Heseltine are barred by their pro-Mr Howard's supporters

believe that his inevitable clash with the Labour Party and the judiciary over his plans for minimum sentences will do nothing to harm Conservative prospects in the election, or his own in the event of a Conservative defeat. Mr Howard is likely to try to put Labour MPs on the spot by challenging them to help him to get the Bill through speedily.

If he fails he will ensure that law and order is a central issue of the election by announcing that the plans will be re-pledged in the manifesto.

Mr Howard's Bills will be:

A criminal justice Bill that
will introduce the concept of
minimum sentences, already attacked by judges for com-promising their indepen-dence. Persistent burglars will have minimum sentences of three years after being convicted three times, and drug dealers seven years after being convicted three times. There will be automatic life sentences for second-time rapists and serious sexual offenders. There will be proposals for a national sex offenders' register and a ban on convicted paedophiles applying for jobs

with children. A measure to bring in a voluntary ID card based on the photocard driving licence that will come into use next year. It will also serve as a travel pass through the European Union.

A Bill to set up a national police squad to target organised crime, which would start operating by 1988. It will work alongside the National which would be expanded. The Bill will also contain proposals to enforce greater accountability in police bugging and electronic surveil-

lance operations. A guns measure. There is a growing likelihood that much stronger controls, possibly including a ban on handguns, will be recommended by the Cullen inquiry into Dunblane shootings. Mr Howard has let it be known that he is likely to follow closely any of the inquiry's



# agree deal over parade

BY NICHOLAS WATT, CHIEF IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

A TENSE stand-off between hundreds of nationalists and Unionists in Co Londonderry ended peacefully yesterday when the two sides reached an lovalist parade.

More than 400 members of the Royal Black Preceptory marched along a shortened route through the village of Bellaghy after hammering out a compromise with local nationalists during 18 hours of negotiations. The loyalists. who had been separated from the nationalists throughout Sunday night by police in riot gear, marched up to Bellaghy's Orange Hall in full view of hundreds of local nationalists. A few nationalists and Unionists jostled as

the Blackmen turned round to march back into the centre of John Junkin, a Blackman

who is also an Ulster Unionist delighted that the stand-off ended peacefully. "I think common sense prevailed. It can only be a good omen for the future that there was no conflict." Paul Smith, spokesman for the nationalist residents, also described the agreement as a victory for common sense. "We thrashed out everything we could with them. We talked through many different ways of trying to resolve this. We reckoned this is the most sensible."

The agreement in Bellaghy came after a weekend of contentious marches throughout Northern Ireland passed off peacefully, although there were minor disturbances in Londonderry and in Co Antrim on Sat tionalist and Unionist leaders took heart that there was no repeat of last month's disturbances during the stand-off at

The next major series of marches will take place on August 31 when 30,000 members of the Royal Black Institution hold their annual Last Saturday of August marches. The main parades will take place in Protestant areas, but there could be sectarian clashes at a series of smaller parades which act as "feeders" to the main marches.

#### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### Tube strike is off as unions vote on deal

Today's planned strike on the London Underground was called off yesterday as union leaders agreed to canvass members on a new deal that would give workers a 35-hour week. But the two unions involved in the dispute have split on the proposal. Aslef, which represents the majority of London Underground drivers, is recommending agreement, while the RMT transport union is urging its members to reject the deal.

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The unions are to hold ballots to gauge the feeling of their membership with results to be known by August 21, two days ahead of the next planned one-day strike. The deal would cut drivers' hours from 38½ to 35 a week and 180 new. drivers would be recruited.

#### No 10 man for Goldsmith

Ian Beaumont, 38, a former 10 Downing Street aide, has been appointed chief press officer of the Referendum Party by Sir James Goldsmith in what will be seen as something of a coup for the billionaire financier. Mr Beaumont spent seven years in the No 10 press office, working for Margaret Thatcher and John Major, before joining the Metropolitan Police press team two years ago. He replaces Michael Gunton, who steps down for health reasons.

#### Barclay judgment

Guernsey's Bailiff. Sir Graham Dorey, has decided to reserve his judgment on whether the Crown can be allowed to become a second defendant in an action brought by the Barclay twins. The Barclay brothers, who have just moved into a £40m castle on Brecchou, are seeking to remove their tiny Channel island from the jurisdiction of neighbouring Sark, especially the latter's feudal inheri-

#### Scots want wide poll

Most Scots want the option of voting for full independence if there is to be a referendum on constitutional change, the Scottish National Party said yesterday. Alex Salmond, its leader, hailed a poll for the party which showed people favoured — by a majority of six to one — being given the chance to vote for independence. He said that if there was a constitutional referendum, the option of independence

#### BA jet 'wing crack' alert

A jumbo jet made an emergency landing at Heathrow after a passenger spotted a crack in the wing, an official report revealed yesterday. The captain of a British Airways 747 decided the split in a fibreglass panel looked "bad" as the Boston-bound jet reached 15,000 feet after take-off, said the report by the Government's Air Accidents Investigation Branch. A BA spokesman described the fault as "minor".

#### 16 injured in tram crash

Up to 16 people were injured when a lorry and a tram collided in Manchester city centre during last night's rush hour. Police said 13 people on the Metrolink tram suffered slight injuries in the accident at the junction of Corporation Street and Miller Street. One man suffered serious rib injuries. The Dutch lorry driver and a passenger were also

#### Wilder stage debut

The Hollywood actor Gene Wilder, star of Blazing Saddles and The Woman in Red. made his British stage debut last He takes the lead role in the new Neil Simon comedy Laughter on the 23rd Floor. The play comes to the Queen's theatre, London, in October after a provincial tour that

#### Rival for Madden

The left-wing Labour MP Max Madden faces a challenge from Britain's first Asian Lord Mayor for his Bradford West seat. Mr Madden, 55, has reversed an earlier decision to retire from Parliament at the next election. Mohammed Ajeeb, 58, who became Lord Mayor of Bradford II years ago, said he intended to be among the challengers to be Labour's candidate.

#### Geoff Hamilton tribute

Geoff Hamilton's identical twin paid tribute to him at his funeral in Exton. Leicestershire. Tony Hamilton, 59, said his brother, who presented BBC2's Gardeners' World for 17 years, "lived the lives of ten men with some to spare" and died helping other people to try to improve the world. A large number of floral tributes included many sent by viewers. Mr Hamilton died of a heart attack on August 4.

#### Kidd still critical

Eddie Kidd, the motorcycle stunt man, remained critical and unconscious in Warwick Hospital yesterday, after suffering head and pelvic injuries in a crash at a weekend rally. His family, including his parents and wife Sarah. were at his bedside. His two-year-old son Jack was staying with friends. Kidd, 36, was still on a ventilator and doctors do not know if he has suffered brain damage.

# Leave octuplet mother in peace, pleads consultant

Continued from page 1 the matter should be referred to the commission, and he described the way the story had been sold as quite

"My concern was, and still is, that in this kind of case, newspapers particularly very powerful multina-tional media organisations — should exercise at least a degree of selfcontrol and morality, even if some other people are unable to do so.

"My major concern is the fact that a person who appears not to have the means to bring up the children

treatment in the first place."

Doctors also expressed surprise yesterday that Miss Allwood had been given powerful fertility drugs in apparent contravention of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists' guidelines, which say that treatment to stimulate ovulation should be restricted to 'appropriately investigated couples

. in whom such treatment has been shown to be beneficial in view of its costs and risks".

The college also recommends that

the welfare of any resulting child and of any existing children should be considered, and couples should be made aware of the problems and risks of multiple pregnancy.

Miss Allwood, has been with Paul Hudson for two years, but he spends alternate nights with another girlfriend by whom he has two children. Miss Allwood is the mother of a fiveyear-old son by her ex-husband, had an abortion in 1993 and a miscar-

The Priory Hospital in Edgbaston, which treated Miss Allwood, insists

that it provides assistance only for couples in stable relationships, and says that in 99 per cent of cases it sees the prospective parents together at least twice - although it admitted that in some cases it treated women without having interviews their

parmers. It is unclear whether Miss Allwood told the clinic her full circumstances. but Mr Hudson has said that he did not know that she had sought help until after she began taking the drugs. He was not ready to have more children and insisted that she

stop immediately - but by then she

Richard Nicholson, editor of the Bulletin of Medical Ethics, said: "How is it that a couple, the female of which had one child of her own and the male of which had two children of his own, could be diagnosed as an infertile couple needing treatment without the male having any knowledge that fertility treatment was being sought?"

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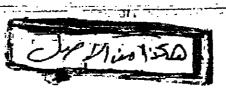




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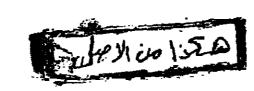
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Thinking small: Marcel Steiner performs Macbeth, left — his theatre also has its own crush-bar, a chandelier and flock wallpaper — while Adrian Bunting acts out his drama of a life-or-death struggle set in a gas oven

# Fringe title challenge by the smallest shows on earth

By Dalya Alberge ARTS CORRESPONDENT

SOME performers dream of making it big on the Edinburgh Fringe. Very few have a dream of making it small. Unfortunately, two performers

both claiming to have the smallest shows on earth have been booked into the same courtyard venue at this year's event. Last night there were fears that the city

might not be hig enough for the running the World's Smallest two of them.

Marcel Steiner, who performs epic dramas in a motorcycle sidecar, is threatening legal action against Adrian Bunting. whose productions take place in a wooden box.

Mr Steiner, whose Smallest Theatre in the World is registered with Companies House, said: "I've been going 25 years."

Mr Bunting, who has been Theatre for three years, said he would relish letting a court decide: "He may have registered the name, but this is just a descrip-tion of something. You could lit 20 of mine in his. Ours is patently the World's Smallest Theatre. He can be called The Slightly Larger

Theatre in the World." Mr Steiner's self-contained theatre tours festivals worldwide with a cast of two or three actors.

In Edinburgh, there are two productions daily, Macheth and The Hunchback of Notre Dame. The sidecar is 6ft long by 6ft high, and about a yard wide. It includes "the world's smallest bar" - redefining the idea of the theatre crush-bar — as well as a chandelier and flock wallpaper.

Mr Bunting has no set performance schedule. He turns up with his box and awaits an

his cue to start. As he can only take one spectator, just one person means a sell-out show. The "audience" balances the box on their shoulders. Mr Bunting and his co-star, Clea Richard Osborne, associate di-

and perform a three-minute pro-duction about suicide, which is set in a gas oven. He claimed: "We booked here first." Their rivalry at this year's

Smith, peer through holes in it

nate proximity to one another. They are both booked into the courtyard of the Pleasance Theatre, and are performing only ten

rector of the Pleasance Theatre. said: "Let the battle commence. May the best theatre win."

□ A Glaswegian murderer who discovered art in Barlinnie Prison has staged one of the most important sculpture exhibitions

at the Edinburgh Festival, Jimmy Boyle is showing 16 figurative bronzes in the gallery of the Demarco European Art Foundation, whose director Richard Demarco inspired him to become an artist on prison visits 25 years ago. Mr Boyle, 52, was released 15 years ago from a life sentence for a gangland killing. His works cost from £1,500.

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# Families mourn young lives lost in dyke crash

By LIN JENKINS

FRIENDS and family of the five teenagers who died when their car overturned in a Lincolnshire dyke spoke yesterday of their grief at the loss 

son Danny was among those who died, recalled both the irritation and the joy of having a teenage son as he lought to come to terms with his death. Danny was a very bright lad. He loved music — especially that jungle music which he drove us mad with every day on the radio. He loved art and football. He loved life people loved him," he said.

Danny, 14, died with his friends Mark Lee, 17, Jamie Wood, 16. Stuart Bevins, 16, and Benjamin O'Gorman. 17, when their Montego car overiturned and landed in 4ft of water in a 20st-wide dyke running to the sea at the Coral Beach caravan park at Ingoldmells on Sunday. They had been on a weekend away from their homes in the Leicester area visiting friends at the caravan site. They died when the car failed to take a junction on the private road leaving the

site just before 5am. Mr Campbell, recalling his son, said he was neither a drug-taker nor a joy rider. Danny had earned the money for the holiday near Skegness by working for him. "He was a wonderful person. Everyone on this estate loved him." He said his son had been sleeping in the back of the car when some of the others decided to go for a drive. "It was a cruel piece of fate."

Danny's twin sister Jodie said: "I loved my brother very much and I will never get over him. He wasn't just a twin



Danny Campbell: loved music, art and football

brother - he was special to

Jamie Measham, 19, a plasterer, who was the sole survivor of the crash after winding down a window, climbing out and trying to save the others. spent yesterday with his parents and two brothers at their home on the Thurnby Lodge estate, near Leicester, trying to come to terms with the death of his friends. His father, Jeff, 35, said:

"Jamie can't remember much about what happened. All of the boys were good friends. They had grown up together and had gone away for a couple of nights at the sea-side." Mr Measham denied claims made by the owners of the caravan site that the six friends had been to an ali-

igh*t rave party.* Efforts by holidaymakers and later the emergency services to resuscitate the five proved futile. Inspector Les Parker, of Lincolnshire police, said: They had spent several hours on the site when the tragedy happened."

#### Meridian censured for film trailer ban

By Peter Foster

AN ITV company that refused to show trailers for Four Weddings and a Funeral because the film contained swearing was reprimanded by the independent Television Commission.

Meridian, which b to the south coast, blocked peak-time trailers for Channel 4's screening of the film last November. The company said it was policy not to broadcast trailers for a programme with bad language when children

were likely to be watching.

Four Weddings, which was screened after 9pm, opens with a string of four-letter words from Hugh Grant's character.

The reprimand, published yesterday in the ITC's monthly report on programme complaints and interventions, reminded Meridian that it had a duty to advertise Channel 4 programmes regardless of content. A spokesman for the commission said: "It is highly unusual for a company to refuse to co-operate in this

Meridian was the only one of 15 ITV companies to refuse to show the trailer. "We take everything the ITC says very seriously but we have also got our viewers to consider," Meridian said.

The ITC upheld a complaint concerning one of its own advertisements. The television commercial, promoting the adult viewing watershed showed a small boy shocked by a gun battle on television. Transmission was restricted to after 9pm, and the satellite channel VHI was criticised for showing it at 5pm on a Sunday.

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#### Elephant can't say goodbye to circus

FROM RICHARD OWEN IN ROME

200S in Rome and Naples last night offered to save the life of Italy's favourite elephant, whose owner is threatening to have it put down on Friday. Baby, a 312-ton, 35year-old female Indian elephant and one-time star performer in the Orfei circus, is said by her owners to be wasting away from a lack of limelight after being forced by animal rights activists to retire from a lifetime of celebrity in the ring.

Nando Orfei, head of the 80-year-old circus -- one of the oldest family run circuses in Europe - said: "She is wasting away, she is suffering, and most of the time just



Baby the elephant just couldn't forget the limelight

does nothing."

The turning point came last week when Baby turned on her keeper. Sgnor Orfei's son Paride, and attacked a younger she-elephant called Wanda. According to Paride, who grew up with Baby and played with her as a child, she had become a danger to her keepers and other animals.

Italian animal experts bave claimed that circus animals can suffer when deprived of human attention. But British authorities are more dubi-10501

last night: "I have never heard of elephants pining for lack of human company. Elephants are social animals who naturally live in groups They do not need humans. If they are kept alone they can easily exhibit signs of boredom. like pacing, head-swinging, or biting the bars of their cage." The case of Baby "sounds like an excuse for disposing of an unwanted animal," Mr Lindley said.

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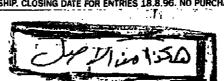
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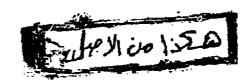
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Exam results outpacing standards

# Top A-level grades 'easier now than twenty years ago'

By David Charter, education correspondent

irOP A-level grades are easier to obtain in some subjects than they were 20 years ago, according to preliminary findings of a study by leading independent schools.

Research by the Headmasters' and Headmistresses' Conference, which represents 250 leading independent schools, has found evidence of "grade inflation" after comparing examination papers stretching back over two decudes and inviting evidence from teachers. However, an initial comparison with examination material from the mid-1970s and mid-1980s also shows that, in some subject areas, today's students are producing better work than their predecessors.

A full report will not be ready until the autumn once the evidence has been analysed further, about the same time as the Government's own inquiry into standards ordered after last year's record A-level grades. The HMC's early findings are bound to fuel the debate about standards, especially as the pass rate is expected to rise further



Anthony: said grades

when A-level results are pubfished on Thursday.

Mr Anthony discloses de

tails of the research in a letter

to The Times today, in which

he defends modular A levels,

courses made up of units

roughly equivalent to a term'

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Gillian Shephard, the Educa-

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increased. We should applaud

such progress rather than seek

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Mr Anthony said: "By divid-

Vivian Anthony, secretary of the HMC, said a pattern of both rising quality and inflated grades was emerging from the research. He said: "Candidates are doing better work in some elements but the grades they are getting are also higher than are justified by the old standards."

Dozens of schools have submitted past papers, pupils' scripts and notes of observations sent by teachers to examination boards about the whole range of Aslevel subjects.

Mr Anthony said: "This is an attempt on our part to try to obtain from schools their best impressions on what is actualis happening to the quality of work coming from their pupils."

The early findings are believed to be based on evidence in mathematics and the sciences, where comparison is more straightforward than for aris subjects. Mr Anthony added: "Early glances through the returns indicate that there are features in most subjects where teachers would say candidates are performing at a higher level than candidates in previous years. I am not trying to say in all aspects of their work it is believed that everything is better than it was before. I know there is a feeling that there is a deal of grade inflation.

"It is quite likely that the overall quality of what is being done is better than what it was before. It is simply that they are being given inflated grades for what they have done, so there is a two-way process. Students are getting better but the rewards they are getting are probably more than they would deserve compared to the old standards."

# Poverty blamed for drop in pass rate to the Bar

By Frances GIBB, LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

A DROP in the percentage of those who passed this year's Bar finals is being blamed on the extreme financial difficulties now faced by many students.

students.

This year 863 students out of 1,126, or 77 per cent, passed the Bar vocational course, compared with 883 students out of 1,011, or 87 per cent, last year.

All who fail can resit.

Most students have to work part-time to pay the £5,200 fees of the Bar's one-year vocational course, a compulsory first hurdle in gaining entry to the profession. They also have to meet the cost of living in London, plus travel expenses.

Another factor, according to the Bar school (Inns of Court School of Law) is the difficulties and time involved for students in obtaining a training place with a set of chambers. The latest Bar school examination figures also show a continuing disparity between black and white students. A greater number of black and ethnic-minority students - 124 - passed than in previous years, but there is still a wide gap in their pass ate (58 per cent) compared with that of white students (8)

mary Phillips, Dean of the Bar school, said: "We are very concerned that students' performance this year may have been affected by the increasing difficulties which Bar students are having in obtaining pupillages (training places). We are also very aware of the extreme financial difficulties experienced by many on the course

through lack of grants."

There has been a dramatic drop over the past ten years in the number of students obtaining local authority grants to cover their course fees. In 1984-85, 80 per cent of students on the Bar vocational course obtained a grant to cover the full cost of fees. Now the figure is 6 per cent. There has been a dight rise, from 2 per cent to 13 per cent. In the numbers

obtaining a grant towards part of their fees but overall the majority of students re-

ceive no help at all.

"One is aware of how many of them seem to doing partitime jobs," Mrs Phillips added. "In the old days, they might to a spot of teaching. But now they seem to do what they can find — bar work, taxidriving... Some are in a very bad state. They can't even afford the fare into central London from the suburbs."

From September 1997 the Bar school in London would be running a part-time course and that would help some students, she said. The Bar Council has also approved six other institutions to run the course in the regions for the first time from autumn 1997.

A Bar Council spokesman said that although obtaining traince places was difficult, that had been the ease for some years and could not explain fully the drop in the pass rate. "Closer monitoring and investigation will be needed to establish the full picture," he said.

He added that measures had been taken to improve access to the profession for prospective barristers, including a new clearing house for chambers applications, so that students could apply to several sets of chambers with one

application form.

The profession as a whole and individual chambers were now providing more bursaries and grants to students and the Bar. The Government, however, had resisted providing increased funds for local authorities to award more discre-

tionary grants.

There was also concern, the spokesman said, at the continuing disparity between black and white students, despite the better results this year. "The Bar Council this year has adopted a comprehensive equality code providing guidance for the Bar aimed at ensuring that entry to the profession is on merit."

#### Mr Geoffrey Chapman

Dr Geoffrey Chapman, lecturer in evolution at London University, and Methodist fay preacher, is not the Geoffrey Chapman, secretary

of the Creation Resources Trust, and also a Methodist lay preacher, who was quoted in a report on Aug-

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One of five watercolours Dame Vera is "thrilled" to be exhibiting in village hall

# Dame Vera says it with flowers in local art show

By EMMA WILKING

DAME Vera Lynn is celebrating more than 50 years as an amateur artist by exhibiting some of her watercolours for the first time. Just a few months before her 80th birthday, Dame Vera is taking part in the annual arts show in her local village hall at Ditchling, West Sussex.

Dame Vera, who took up painting flowers in 1940 at the height of her war-time singing career, has an endless supply of blooms from the numerous bouquets she is sent by admirers.

"It's absolutely thrilling to

"It's absolutely thrilling to be asked to show my paintings in the village." Dame Vera said yesterday. "I'm delighted and looking forward to it very much." Dame Vera's display continues an artistic tradition

1907 with the arrival of Eric Gill, the sculptor, who established the arts and crafts movement in the village. His nephew, John Skelton, also a sculptor, is president of the Ditchling Handworkers Guild, organisers of the

established at Ditchling in



Dame Vera: "She has a good eye for colour"

exhibition opening on August 24. Claude Murrills, Dame Vera's art teacher, said the five flower paintings which will be displayed were the best examples of her

"She is a very talented lady: an excellent draughtswoman with a good eye for colour. She has a studio in her home. When she first came to me she was already good at flowers. We have been working on her landscapes."

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Tangled web of relationships led to controversial publicity deal with newspaper

# Plea for a child that resulted in eight foetuses

woman who is pregnant with Mandy Allwood walked into her GP's surgery in Solihull, West Midlands, in mid April and confided that she was desperate for a child.

She had first met Paul Hudson, the man who was to become the father of her eight unborn babies, in late 1992. Mr Hudson, a property devel-oper, asked her to become manager of his new letting business in Birmingham, a job that gave her El,000 a month and a car.

By 1994 her II-year marriage to Simon Pugh, a plas-terer with whom she had a son. Charlie, now 5, was failing and she agreed to go on a date to a nightclub with Mr Hudson, despite the fact he had a long-term girlfriend. Maria Edwards, and a baby son, Kane,

In June that year Miss Allwood separated from her husband and moved into a flat next door to Mr Hudson. They began a relationship. In October 1995, by which time Mr Hudson's property busi-ness had failed, she became regnant for the first time by

Mr Hudson. According to her friends, she was overjoyed, regarding the pregnancy as a means of laying full claim to Mr Hudson, who had continued his relationship with Miss Ed-wards. By the end of Decem-the idea of fertility drugs and



Nicolaides: is caring for Mandy Allwood

ber 1995, however, she had

She resolved to become pregnant again as soon as possible, apparently unconcerned that Miss Edwards was about to give birth to Mr Hudson's second son, Zack.

When by April Miss Allwood had failed to conceive, she went to see her GP who agreed to refer her to the Edgbaston, West Midlands.

She was prescribed a sevenday course of the hormone Metrodin and a booster drug Pregnyl and warned not to have unprotected sexual intercourse during that period to avoid a multiple pregnancy.

Mr Hudson, who disliked

had said that he was unprepared for another child, was not told what had happened. Two days into the course, Miss Allwood decided to confess to Mr Hudson, who ordered her to cease the treatment immediately. But Miss Allwood, it appears, was al-

ready pregnant. In May, Miss Allwood bought a pregnancy testing kit which showed positive. In July she underwent a series of scans at the Priory Clinic which revealed that she was carrying eight babies.

The couple first consulted with their solicitor, Michael Woolridge, and then Mr Hudson telephoned Central Television in Birmingham, where the reaction from journalists confirmed that the couple had a valuable property.

They transferred their attentions to the News of the World on Monday, August 7. After taking further advice they then arranged to meet Max Clifford, the PR consultant, on Wednesday. He agreed to handle the sponsorship and media fees and the deal was

The News of the World has also arranged for Miss Allwood to stay at a secret address close to King's College Hospital in south London, where she is under the care of Professor Kypros Nicolaides, head of foetal medicine.

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Mandy Allwood, left, pregnant by Paul Hudson, and Maria Edwards, who already has two children by him

# Power over life is a privilege to be exercised with caution

doctor, kindly, wise, paternalistic, even patronising, as much pastor as physician, didn't survive the social up-heaval of the 1960s. Had it been possible for a case like Mandy Allwood's to come before a GP 50 years ago, it is unlikely that she, her boyfriend Paul Hudson and the eight embryos would now be facing a potential medical



and social disaster created by over-stimulation of The traditional, old-fash-

ioned doctor would probably

being labelled judgmental and would have refused — it

nowerful drugs as are used in fertility treatment without a broad check on the patient's social and domestic background.

been interested in the paient's motivation in wanting a baby. Was it to satisfy maternal longing? To provide a sibling? To cement a

ment, care is owed not just to the mother and father but also to the unborn child or children who may well have to spend a lifetime contending with the consequences of a prescription issued in a busy outpatient clinic. Patients sometimes look

rather surprised when asked routine questions by their doctor about their household and lifestyle, but these are very relevant to both diagnosis and treatment. The fertility drugs stocked on the shelves of Boots have the ability to alter completely a family's life and have the

tional lever over the partner?

It would also be necessary to

investigate the likelihood that

a patient would be prepared

to co-operate in the careful

monitoring that is needed

once fertility drugs have been

prescribed. For in this treat-

capacity to be lethal as well as creative.

It may not be a entrancing thought that for only possible with the help of an extract of the urine of pregnant patients — which is used to produce chorionic gonadotrophin (Pregnyl) given after the ovaries have been primed with Metrodin, prepared from the urine of women who are post-menopausal - but it is very much better than not being able to

conceive at all. It is a privilege to have such power, but it is a privilege which has to be exercised with some caution.

When infertility is a problem, polycystic ovarian disease is always considered as a possible cause. This diagnosis has been mentioned in

balance between two hormones, LH and FSH, produced by the pituitary gland, is abnormal, with too much LH and too little FSH. Most hat not all women with polycystic ovarian disease tend to be overweight and with a male pattern of facial and

body hair. Most do not

ovulate and their periods are

usually very scant. The hormones such were prescribed for Miss Allwood would generally only be used in the treatment of polycystic ovarian disease after less powerful, and potentially less tricky, ones had already failed, and only, of

course, if the patient wanted

DR THOMAS STUTTAFORD |

#### **Steroids** save baby from heart attack in the womb

BY SHIRLEY ENGLISH

DOCTORS in Glasgow have become the first in Britain to use steroids to save a baby in 👤 the womb at risk of heart failure. Katie McGuire is one of only six babies worldwide known to have survived the fatal condition, which occurs when the mother's antibodies attack the foetus's heart.

Obstetricians at Glasgow Royal Maternity Hospital learnt of the treatment in a medical journal. They read that steroids had been used successfully in five cases in America to reduce the effects of antibodies on the baby.

The doctors were already experienced in using steroids to treat pregnant mothers with rheumatic-type ailments and decided they had no choice but to try the new method to save the baby's life.

At 23 weeks' gestation a scan had revealed that her heartbeat had dropped to only 35 to 40 beats a minute. The normal rate is 120 to 160 beats. Rosalin McGuire, her mother, has Sjogren's syndrome, a connective tissue disorder which affects the joints and skin. The condition causes the mother to develop antibodies which attack the baby in the womb.

causing heart failure. Dr Alan Mathers, a foetal medicine expert, said doctors were aware of Mrs McGuire's condition and had kept a close watch on the pregnancy. When we scanned her we found the baby's heart rate was very slow and she was already in gross cardiac failure. Without this treatment the baby's outlook was dire. She would have died," he said.

Mrs McGuire, 30, a PE teacher from Muirend, Glasgow, received daily steroid injections for 70 days before giving birth. The treatment raised Katie's heart rate to 55 beats a minute and helped her to survive long enough to be delivered safely by Caesarean section three weeks premature. At about three months old the girl, Mrs McGuire's first child, was fitted with a pacemaker. She will need one

Dr Mathers said: "The choice was treatment with the attendant risks and the possibility of a good outcome. against no treatment and the death of a baby."

He knew of only one other case during his eight years at Glasgow of a baby suffering cardiac arrest as serious as Katie's. It did not survive. "Knowing that we can now retrieve pregnancies which otherwise would have been doomed gives us some encouragement for the future." he

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# **Doctors** reject role in vetting gun owners

BY RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

FAMILY doctors are to oppose a recommendation today by a Commons committee that they take a central role in the granting of firearms and shotgun certificates.

The MPs are proposing

that GPs be involved in countersigning all applications for gun certificates. The British Medical Association dismissed the recommendation in the report by the Home Affairs Select Committee as impractical and said it would create a

"false sense of reassurance". The BMA believes there is no reliable way of predicting violent behaviour." a spokeswoman said, making clear that if the Government adopted the idea, it would have to alter GPs' terms and conditions, including a clause for those who as a matter of conscience

did not wish to be involved. The investigation into the possession of handguns, begun after the Dunblane massacre, has divided the committee on party lines, with the Conservative majority voting against a ban on their private ownership. Labour MPs are likely to publish a minority report demanding a ban on the possession of handguns except, rarely, where a gun club could demonstrate that guns for use at the club could be centrally and securely kept without any danger, or where they were needed for occupa-tional reasons.

The proposal that doctors countersign an application for a firearms certificate is likely to be the most concrete recommendation to emerge in the report published this morning. Other recommendations are likely to centre on tightening the application procedures, including the nomination of at least two referees and more checks at the homes of holders of certificates.

The report is likely to enrage campaigners for gun control by ruling out most of the proposals made after the Dunblane massacre, in which 16 were shot dead. It is likely to suggest that banning handguns would not prevent a mass killing or stop the unstable getting gunx illegally. Among proposals likely to be rejected are that handguns be held centrally rather than in homes, that the gun and firing mechanism be stored separately, and that there should be curbs on the number of guns someone can possess. Last night, Gill Marshall

Andrews, of Gun Control Network, said: "We are very dis appointed about this report." It was "mere tinkering". She criticised the committee for not taking oral evidence from campaigners for gun control or from any group or person affected by the Hungerford and Dunblane massacres. Chief Superintendent Brian Mackenzie, head of the Police

Superintendents' Association, said: "We agree with the dissenting, minority view lon the committee] that there's no justification for people possessing handguns for private use outside properly approved and secure locations. It seems that the majority on the committee have not fully viewed the evidence and have simply accepted the view of the gun



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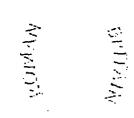
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BY BILL FROST

A LOST villa on the fertile banks of the River Darent in Kent was one of the most significant archaeological discoveries this century, opening wide a window on life in affluent Roman Britain.

Sealed against the ravages of time by soil slippage, the Lullingstone site was to yield an astonishing harvest of most 50 years ago. The succes-sion of wealthy farming fam-ilies who lived here plainly spared no expense on life's

The villa, originally built in timber-and-daub in about AD 75, changed in appear-ance regularly until the last wards the end of Empire. Each gentleman farmer left a little of his times behind.

hard to imagine: clear river water, rich pasturage, arable fields and gently rolling countryside. There were other Roman villas along the length of the Darent, but none to compare with Lullingstone.

A rather ugly cover building was erected over the site in the 1950s when its significance was fully appreciated. Once inside, though, the unprepos-



Laid out before the visitor are a series of rectangular rooms, two magnificent mosaics dearly discernible wall paint-

ings and a Christian chapel. At the north end of the villa taste was extravagantly hedo-nistic, even by Roman stan-dards. He had hot, tepid and sweating-room (forerunner to today's sauna) and a large cold plunge pool.

Balling was an important daily ritual at Lullingstone. Slaves with clean towels and lotions pampered their master, his family and their guests while they chatted, laid wa-gers or simply dozed in the heat. Aptly enough, there was an aquatic decorative theme. The last owner commissioned a mural artist to paint various fish on the bath walls.

However, any question mark over taste in decoration is banished when the visitor views the beautiful mosaics in the triclinium - an audience chamber and dining room. They are quite stunning. The

metry and order has been translated into timeless beauty. The mosaics depict the duction of Europa by Jupiter, disguised as a white bull, and the mythological hero Bellerophon, mounted on Pegasus, killing the Chimae-

ra, a fire-breathing monster. Europa, in a transparent robe, appears curiously indifferent to imminent violation. She smiles vacantly as a pair of anxious cupids attempt to prevent the bull having his way. The second mosaic is even more impressive. Bellerophon gathers his reins and urges Pegasus on to trample the Chimaera - a nightmare creature with a lion's head and serpent's tail.

At the edge of the main panel are four dolphins and open oyster shells.



Europa and the bull: from the Lullingstone mosaic

Amund the border beyond are figures representing three of the four seasons. Winter frowns from a hooded cloak, there is a swallow on spring's Shoulder and automo is crowned with ripe corn. Sadly, summer has gone - the

tiles, or tesserge, lost after the villa was abandoned. The two mosaics are separated by a ometrically perfect panel featuring squares, octagons, hearts and swastikas. Many other priceless trea-

By the end of the 4th century, the villa was falling into disrepair and had been badly damaged by fire. When the last gentleman farmer and his family left, it was pillaged by peasants who had long envied their landlord's affiuence. Only the mudslide brought an end to the vandalism, burying the villa and preserving one of Britain's finest Roman sites.

Lullingstone: more than 400 coins, Greek busts and a

magnificent gem - the Corne

lian Intaglio - carved with

the image of Winged Victory.
The Christian wall paintings
— the sole surviving examples.

from a villa in Roman Britain - featured a sacred mono-gram of Christ and worship-

pers at prayer. Though primitive, the work has a

# Latin ghosts haunt town preserved by <sup>9</sup> centuries of neglect

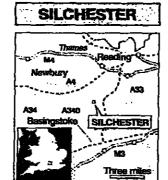
By BILL FROST

WIND through the trees which surround the amphitheatre at Silchester whispers like an invisible crowd waiting for the spectacle of gladiatorial combat.

In the arena, enslaved Britons fought to the death with short sword and trident for the entertainment of the conquerors and their collaborators. Other highlights for the jaded mob included bear baiting. bull fights and regular public executions of those who resisted Pax Romana.

To this day, an atmosphere of menace lingers about the amphitheatre. Those who know Silchester well say that few visitors can remain long in d) the arena without the uncomfortable impression that they are being watched from the

terraced seats. A walk around the ramparts of Calleva Atrebatum, as the Romans named the settlement, can give the same unsettling sensation. The walls, in places still up to 15ft high, look out over fields and woods where, as the empire late 3rd century, brigands,



and watched. Calleva had been among Rome's highest priority objectives after the important as an administrative centre, as a gateway to the south-west and as a wellestablished market.

Such was the town's perceived importance in the years immediately after the invasion that the Emperor Nero became involved in Calleva's development. Tiles bearing his name were found there during Victorian and Edwardian excavations.

However, with the depar-

to this day were considered inadequate protection against those waiting in the woods.

merchants and farmers quit Calleva, they left behind a town laid out on a grid pattern still visible today in crop marks — the shallower rooted growth showing where buildings lic below. There is the clear silhouette of a forum, a basilica and covered market.

There is archaeological evi-dence too of a Christian church close to the forum. The tiny building, excavated in 1892 and 1961, may well have been devoted to pagan deities before Constantine the Great agreed that the new religion should be tolerated.

is of a crucifix.

When the Romano-British

Inside the building a mosaic

of black and white tiles was uncovered. The central design

Close by stood the public baths - probably built during Nero's reign. Water from a stream was warmed by hypocaust, the charcoal-fired central heating system without which life in the cold and damp province would have proved intolerable for the



an exercise yard at Silchester shows that the Romans would first work up a sweat before the cold plunge and sauna-style session in the warm room.

Calleva'a "death" with the departure of the legions has century, the town was to die. Bathing was a time-con- ironically guaranteed the The stout walls which survive suming indulgence. Evidence town immortality. Because it

was completely abandoned and never reinhabited, there was no new building and little plundering of the rampart stone. The location, at the heart of a maze of minor roads in a triangle formed by Newbury, Reading ingstoke, has also helped the settlement to maintain its tranquil and timeless quality. Although now laid to pasture, Calleva seems still occupied by the shadows of those who once settled here. It is almost as if one can hear voices and laughter echoing beside the North Gate.

The Roman wall widely described as the best-preserved in Britain - can be walked in an hour or so. However, some caution is required on stretches where the path is slightly overgrown. The visitor's exertions are, however, richly rewarded.

There is little evidence of the late 20th century when one looks back into the settlement and then out over the woods and fields again: just the ever sharper conviction of watchers beyond the rampart.

Tomorrow: the Roman shore forts

# Fourth largest city grew from border fort built to quell 'little Britons'

By Emma Wilkins

THE Welsh proved troublesome and ready for a fight in Roman times. When Caractacus, the British resistance leader, needed support in the AD 40s he turned to the fertile recruiting grounds of the Ordovices tribe in central

ferring to the rebellious Welsh forces as "Brituncoli" (little Britons), the Romans took the threat of unrest seriously and began to build forts along the border, including a small encampment

After the defeat and capture of Caractacus in AD 51, the Weish tribes continued struggle and the Wroxeter camp, on the River Severn, was expanded to be come home first to the XIV and later the XX Legion. It was left to Agricola.

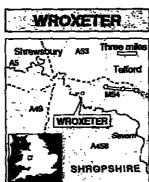
rnor of Britain in the late AD 70s, to subdue the harbarians, wiping out the

Ordovices and destroying the Druid sanctuary on Anglescy in his first campaign. When Emperor Hadrian

visited Britain in AD 122 be was determined to extend the Roman way of life to all parts of his conquered territory. A plan was developed to double the size of Wroxeter by encouraging new settlers. The town was transformed

into a sophisticated Roman city, with public baths, delicans and a forum for public meetings. The grand scale of what became the fourth largest city in Roman Britain can be seen today from a 40ft-high wall, known as The Old Work, between an and bath exercise hali

The hall, where bathers played games, chatted and limbered up, was 245ft long by 66ft wide. A building near by was probably a brothel. Houses of ill require generally not allowed to open



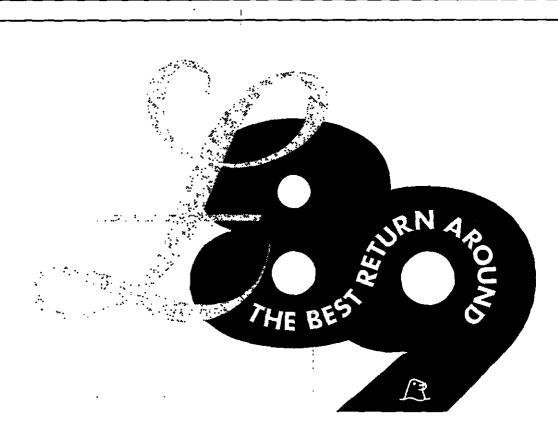
before 3pm so that women bathers were not troubled. An aqueduct from the Severn to the city provided two million gallons of water a organised so that, in times of drought, the supply was automically cut off from pri-

vate subscribers. Visitors to Wroxeter can trace the routes taken by Istcentury residents on their daily shopping trips by step-ping along grassy paths between the foundations of the baths, shops and public lavatories. Much Roman stone work has been looted down the ages, and many older houses appear to be partly built from Roman masonry

In the fields surrounding the site, archaeologists from Birmingham University have established that Wroxeter was much more built-up than the garden city previous

One of the most fabulous Roman treasures pulled from British soil was found at Wroxeter: a beautifully preserved silver hand mirror plate. Dated from around the late 1st century, it would have belonged to a wealthy woman who employed servants to hold it at a distance.

The mirror and other actefacts, including a leaky buckcoins and bronze statuettes, are on display at Rowley's House Museum in Shrewsbury, five miles west



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NEWS IN BRIEF

**Fenners** 

man loses

appeal

Tony Pocock. 48. who claimed he lost his job as head groundsman at Cam-

bridge University's Fenners cricket ground after criticism

of wickets he prepared for first-class matches, lost his appeal for constructive dismissal. An industrial tribu-

nal ruled that Mr Pocock had

not proved the university was in breach of contract. Mr

Pocock was only the fourth

head groundsman since 1860

to tend the wicket at Fenners.

Andrew Perkins. 17, lost his

glider and trailer on his way

to a national gliding champ-ionship after he and his father parked in a layby near High Wycombe, Bucking-

hamshire. The £18,000 air-craft was stolen while they

Comic beat wife

The comedian Roy "Chubby"

Brown was fined £300 plus

£250 compensation for

punching his wife Sandra in

the stomach, face and legs, in

a row after a party. Newcastle magistrates were told that the

couple, both 51, had since

**Bad Samaritan** 

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Glider stolen

Couple add hardy animals from Chile to Britain's growing menagerie of exotic livestock

# Down on the alpaca farm, happiness is a gentle humming

By Michael Hornsby, agriculture correspondent

ALPACAS, smaller cousins of the camel and the liama, have joined ostriches as the latest exotic livestock to tempt British farmers with the promise

On the 150-acre Gay Street Farm, near Pulborough, in West Sussex, Kelvin Maude, an Australian alpaca expert. and his wife, Jill, are assembling one of the biggest herds of the beguiling creatures outside their South American

homeland. Some 300 alpacas, which resemble sheep with long necks and emit a gentle humming noise when happy, arri-

months in quarantine in South America and another three in England. At the weekend, Mr Maude left for Chile to collect another 300 animals, which will be flying back with him to England later this week.

The Maudes, who are backed by a company in Australia, where alpaca farming is already well-estab-lished, hope their animals will be the breeding nucleus of a British national herd capable of supplying fibre to the knit-

wear and textile industries. They are easy animals to keep," said Mr Maude. "They



Kelvin and Jill Maude with woolly newcomers

last January after spending six are very hardy and can stay out of doors all year round in most conditions. They graze like sheep, need little extra feeding and come in a variety of natural colours. Their fibre is finer and softer than sheep's wool but has three times its tensile strength while being lighter and warmer."

The animals at Gay Street Farm range from white, through various shades of grey to creams and browns about a dozen different colours

Alpacas are not for the fainthearted investor or those expecting a quick return. Because of their rarity value only Peru, Chile and Bolivia have significant numbers and exports are limited — a pregnant female costs about

Two months ago, after fraud investigations into several speculative ostrich farming schemes, the Maudes were contacted by the Securities and Investments Board and asked to explain newspaper advertisements describing alpacas as "financially rewarding".

They thought we might be running some kind of collective investment scheme which would have made us subject to the Financial Services Act." Mr Maude said, "But I think we persuaded them that we are just livestock breeders and not investment managers." The Maudes say that initial-



Alpaca, cousins of the llama, come in a variety of natural colours and produce finer and softer wool than sheep

of alpacas will come from breeding and selling the stock. The females live for up to 20 years and can each produce as many as 15 young. Because of their hardiness — they survive happily above 13,000 ft in the Chilean Andes — the animals could be ideal as a supplement to sheep farming in hill re-gions of Britain," Mr Maude

the success of alpaca farming in Britain will depend on whether there is a market for home-produced fibre. Although the animals are also reared for their meat in South America, there are no plans to do that here. The current world market price for raw fibre from the average alpaca is about £5 a kilogram, twice the equivalent price for sheep's young animals can fetch up to three times that amount or even more. Each animal produces about three to five kilograms of fleece a year.

Nigel Priestley, managing director of Joshua Ellis, a 220year-old cloth manufacturing company in Dewsbury, west Yorkshire, thinks there could be a market for home-grown

the ability to provide sufficient volume of the colours most in

of the fineness of the hair with

The Maudes are hoping to set up an alpaca-rearing cooperative with other farmers. They think it will take about 10,000 alpacas to kick-start the

den, north London, was jailed for a year for stealing £1,855 in takings. Robert demand that commands the Vooght, 54, of Stanmore, who highest prices," he said. Fawns and reddy-browns are had previous convictions for dishonesty, gambled the money to try to pay debts. very popular at the moment."

A maze is to be built in the Cotswold village of Bourtonon-the-Water. The centre-piece will be a building containing puzzles designed by Kit Williams, an author who wrote a book that once launched a nationwide trea-sure hunt for a golden hare.

#### Ring rang bells

An AA man collected an abandoned car and found his wedding ring inside. The Astra had been stolen by a burglar who left behind the ring and countless lingerprints. Rory Roberts, 18, of

# Farmers say lifting of beef ban hindered by database delay

By MICHAEL HORNSBY

A COMPUTER database of Britain's 11 million cattle is unlikely to be completed before 1998 at the earliest, the National Farmers' Union said yesterday. The delay will hamper the tracing and culling of cattle at risk of developing "mad cow" disease, a condition for easing of the European Union's worldwide ban on British beef exports.

Bill Madders, a dairy farmer and

chairman of the NFU's milk committee, said the Government's delay in setting up the database had made the task of restoring consumer confidence in beef more difficult.

The cattle industry and the Commons Agriculture Select Committee called for the establishment of a database four years ago, but the Government turned it down on grounds of cost," Mr Madders said. We are paying the price now and must not waste any more time."

A cattle industry working group, chaired by Mr Madders, issued a report yesterday on how it would like the database to operate. The Ministry of Agriculture is due to complete its feasibility study next

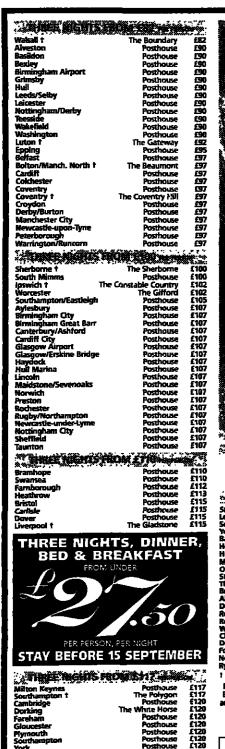
Under the working group's pro-posals, farmers would have to register all cattle births, deaths and movements on a central computer, including details of each animal's sex, breed and dam. Cattle markets and abattoirs would keep similar records. Cattle would be fitted with electronic ear tags with an identity number for cross-checking with the central computer. The NFU wants the Government to meet most of the estimated £30 million cost.

The absence of a computer database will make it harder to trace cattle born to cows that have died of BSE. This has become urgent because of scientific evidence that some cows can transmit the disease to their calves. Douglas Batchelor, of National Milk Records, who advised the working group, said: "Without an electronic database, tracing the progeny of BSE cows will involve ploughing through mountains of paperwork."
It is estimated that 20,000 to

30,000 cattle may have to be culled

spring will have been slaughtered already. Also, the evidence suggests that only the last calf born to a cow before it developed BSE is at risk of inheriting the disease.

The Ministry of Agriculture said: "We do not accept that we have been dragging our feet. Circumstances have changed in the past four years, making the need for a database



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## **NEW LIFE, NEW QUESTIONS**

The responsibility of doctors, patients and press

As medical technology increases human fertilisation (IVF) are carefully circumopportunities, so does it challenge human ethics. From transplant surgery to fertility drugs, the capacity of science to prolong. enhance and create human life has strained the ability of traditional morality to provide authoritative guides to behaviour. The problem did not begin with fertility treatment. Nor is the case of Mandy Allword the most complicated of fertility cases. Nonetheless the news of a fertile woman determined to take fertility drugs, defy medical advice and bear eight babies has raised the greatest public consciousness.

Hard cases do not make good rules. Fertility treatment has brought joy to couples who thought that one of family life's greatest benefits might be denied them. What was a gift from God, like grace, has been brought by human ingenuity within the reach of those denied it. That quiet extension of happiness to unnumbered families should not be obscured.

Hard cases are often, however, the ones which frame debate. Miss Allwood's experience prompts serious questions about the availability of fertility treatment. When she was prescribed the fertility drugs Metrodin and Pregnyl, her fertility can have been in little doubt. She had already successfully conceived three times. Miss Allwood had only one child, having miscarried one and aborted another. It is possible that she thought a second child might enrich family life. Anxiety to secure a sibling for her son would be undertandable. Anxiety about the affections of an unreliable boyfriend would not, however, constitute a good reason for fertility treatment. Reluctance to fetter an individual's freedom to conceive is one thing. Helping her to do so when her motives could be questioned and the consequences dangerous is quite another.

The wisdom of the doctor who prescribed Miss Allwood's treatment is in serious doubt. There is a case for reviewing the ethical constraints which are available to guide general practitioners in these cases. invasive treatments such as in-vitro scribed in law. Prospective parents have to undergo counselling; there is a limit on the number of implanted embryos. The British Medical Association also lays down a code of conduct for IVF treatment. Specialists working within fertility clinics will in most cases take heed of guidance framed by their professional college.

However, there are no legal guidelines or codified professional advice which specifically govern the prescription of fertility drugs by general practitioners. It is normally preferable in complicated cases to trust to the discretion of individual doctors. But Miss Allwood's case suggests that is not always enough. GPs might benefit from the establishment of a benchmark of best ethical practice in this area.

If doctors might be guided to wisdom. could parents? Miss Allwood, her boyfriend, Paul Hudson, and his other lover, Maria Edwards, already have four children between them - the products of three separate relationships. Miss Allwood has already endured one failed marriage. Ms Edwards gave birth to her three children outside marriage. Mr Hudson, who draws state benefits, shows no signs of marrying either. It would be wrong if the State legislated to limit the right to reproduce. But society is placed under strain by the carelessness with which so many conceive.

The prospect of the births being encouraged by a sliding scale of newspaper payments has produced widespread dissent. Money was not, however, at the root of this issue: it exacerbated an existing set of conditions and brought it to wider notice. The more that parents are insulated from the consequences of their actions, whether by the State or the fourth estate, the harder it will be to instil restraint. New life is a gift, its creation a joy and its spread to those once denied, a blessing. The knowledge of new life's preciousness has spurred scientists to make it available to all. That knowledge should also guide society in ensuring the care that creation deserves.

#### TERRORISTS AND TURKS

Dangerous pipeline: handle with care

Minister, yesterday signed a \$23 billion dollar gas supply deal with Iran, committing Turkey to a 20-year contract and the construction of a 1,000-mile tween the two countries. The deal, which both sides hailed as the foundation of a rapid and general improvement of relations between two neighbours ruled by Islamist Governments, is bound to be viewed with alarm in the West. It binds a pivotal member of Nato to a country identified in Western capitals as a leading supporter of global terrorism, a committed exporter of revolution and a virulent opponent of Western interests around the globe. The reaction in Washington is likely to be explosive.

The gas deal comes only after a week after America's controversial attempt to put pressure on Iran by imposing sanctions on any company investing more than \$40 million in Iran's energy sector. At a stroke it would seem to nullify the entire thrust of the D'Amato Act. It is more than a symbolic breach in the attempt to isolate Tehran: to the embattled Clinton Administration it looks like a provocative confirmation of the misgivings among America's allies over legislation that they say is unenforceable.

The deal, however, should come as no surprise to Turkey's allies. Mr Erbakan has made no secret of his wish to improve relations with his Muslim neighbours. Indeed, one reason for the concern over the prospect of an Islamic Government in Ankara was the conviction that Turkey, the vital Cold War protector of Nato's southern flank, would turn back to its historic Ottoman hinterland at the expense of its Western orientation. In fact, Mr Erhakan has shown himself a shrewd pragmatist so

Necmettin Erbakan, the Turkish Prime far. He has not, despite earlier strident opposition to Nato, weakened his links with his military allies. He has renewed the use of Turkish bases for Operation Provide Coms over nortnern Irac And he has refused to bow to demands to scrap Turkey's recent military training agreement with Israel.

Seen from Ankara, an improvement with its neighbours makes sense. The sanctions against Iraq have cost Turkey dear, and the promised Western compensation has not materialised. There are huge export markets on Turkey's southern flank, as well as in the newly opened heartland of Russia. These countries are eager to welcome Turkish goods - in contrast to the European Union, whose grudging acceptance and delayed customs union are hostage to Greek suspicions. Turkey may argue that as long as it was seen in competition with Iran for influence in Central Asia - a competition encouraged by the West - it was unable to make the most of these countries' new independence and new markets.

It is dangerous for Turkey's Western allies to dictate who its friends should be or interfere in its rediscovery of its Islamic heritage. Those are decisions for the ballot box. America should tread carefully in its response to the pipeline deal: a quarrel with an ally of such geopolitical importance would weaken Nato's cohesion. But the West can warn Mr Erbakan that any dramatic rapprochement with Iran, or even with Iraq as now proposed by those calling for a regional summit, would frighten away potential Western investors. That could cost . Turkey many millions in lost income — far more, possibly, than the money earned from the new gas pipeline.

#### **SONGS WITH PASTS**

Aux armes, defenders of "God Save The Queen"

Applying strict tests of relevance and usefulness to national anthems is a preposterous pastime. Paul Richards, author of a Fabian Society tract on modernising the monarchy published yesterday, has been reasoning thus and landed himself in a muddle over God Save The Queen. He complains that our national anthem is too "dirge-like" to compare to the Marseillaise. too anti-Jacobite, too Protestant and not English enough - since in his new model federal Britain an English anthem should coexist with a truly British one for the whole of the United Kingdom. Mr Richards is deaf to the music of history and blind to the pitfalls of writing anthems which descend

too far from the general to the particular. Britain and France both sing songs which began life in military emergencies. Our national anthem was sung in Drury Lane as George II's troops went north in 1745 to stop Bonnie Prince Charlie. The Marseillaise was composed one night in 1792 by a captain of engineers responding to a call by the Mayor of Strasbourg for a song to inspire the soldiers about to march towar with Austria. The anthem's first, prosaic and very local name was the War Song of the Army of the Rhine: it only acquired its present name when adopted with special enthusiasm by

Neither anthem now refers once to any country by name, an omission which can only have helped the songs' chances of survival. A fifth verse of God Save the Oueen referring to crushing the "rebellious Scots" was tactfully dropped as England worked to unite its disparate kingdom. The excision worked: Scottish National Party politicians now complain about English football fans "hijacking" God Save The Queen and ask them to sing Land of Hope and Glory instead. The Star Spangled Banner makes no mention of the United States. The German anthem closes with the ringing exhortation "Bloom, my German fatherland!" but no longer includes the verse beginning "Deutschland über Alles".

Yet anthems with no roots at all and no references to any common memory do not catch on either. In spite of the BBC's use of Beethoven's Ode to Joy as the theme music for Euro 96 this summer, the EU's official anthem has never caught on. The English composer Howard Blake was last vear asked to set the United Nations Charter to music but his effort sank under the weight of the abstract prose. To lift hearts and to last, an anthem must evoke history, community and land without being too exact about any of them. Once an anthem has found this elucive mixture leave it alone

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From Professor Emeritus P. B. Fellgett, FRS

Your obituary describes how he resisted producers who considered the actual gardening content the least interesting part of his broadcasts, and certainly we have seen enough slick. gimmicky, jokey or otherwise irritating and uninformative gardening series to know how valuable his resis-

It is a serious matter that this problem extends to many other kinds of factual broadcasts. Science programmes in particular are larded with diversions and irrelevancies which, so far from advancing the argument, merely distract attention from it.

PETER FELLGETT. Little Brighter. St Kew Highway, Bodmin, Cornwall.

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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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#### public services

From Lord Campbell of Alloway, QC Sir, Mr Knapp's letter today merely confirms the need for legislation to avold hostage-taking of the public by trade unions whose members are en-gaged in the provision of essential ser-

It may well be no easier to define what is an essential public service than to define an elephant. But we can all recognise that the London Underground and the Royal Mail are essential public services; services in which a system of compulsory arbitration should be introduced, so that if no re-sort be had to arbitration, or if the award is not implemented, the shield of immunity should be withdrawn to expose union funds to sequestration in High Court proxecdings.

On the affirmative resolution of both Houses, the Secretary of State could, if the circumstances so require, designate any service as an essential service in the event of exceptional hardship to the public.

Who shall now grasp this nettle? l am. Sir, your obedient servant, CAMPBELL of ALLOWAY. 2 Kings Bench Walk, August 12

#### Postal dispute

From Mr Geoffrey H. Lloyd

Sir, Mr Robin Rhoderick-Jones (letter, August 12) rightly considers himself fortunate to be living miles from anywhere and yet receiving his post at 6.30am.

I live a mere seven miles from the centre of Cambridge and am lucky if I receive first post by 10.30am. Often, we receive a single delivery at 3pm. Deliveries on Saturdays are sometimes cancelled without warning.

This is not acceptable to people working from home, of whom there are two in this household. And this is a growing trend; hardly the time. then, to heed Mr Rhoderick-Jones's call for an even worse service. Faxes, e-mail and the telephone all have their place but, for example, bulky, multipage legal documents cannot be dealt with that way.

I am unconvinced that the blame in the current postal dispute lies entirely with the Union of Communication Workers (UCW). My repeated efforts to seek an improvement in delivery arrangements, with the support of my MP, have so far been unable to penetrate the indifference of Royal Mail. If the management treat the UCW with the same contempt they treat their customers in this area I am not surprised the union does not appear to be in a mood to compromise.

The adjacent letter on the Tube strike, from the General Secretary of the National Union of Rail, Maritime and Transport Workers, also caused me to reflect whether management's role in that dispute is as blameless as they - and the Government - claim.

Yours sincerely, GEOFFREY H, LLOYD (Management consultant). Longacre, 73 High Street, Little Wilbraham, Cambridge.

#### Britain and EMU

From Mr Peier Hickman

Sir, I think Lord Carr, in his letter of August 7 deploring government hesitations over joining a common currency, is commenting on the cogs without appreciating the momentum of the

Just one extravagant budget by one small nation within EMU will be able to be ignored; but when two or three see the one and then run unsatisfactory deficits, then Germany or Brussels will step in and take all members' budgetary independence away from them in order to prevent the problems that one recalcitrant will have caused to the whole system.

A European currency will be the end of independence for any mediumsized European nation. There is no getting away from this fact.

Yours faithfully. PETER HICKMAN. 14 Campden Hill Square, W8.

#### Facts and fancies

Sir. The untimely death of Mr Geoff Hamilton (obituary, August 6) is a great loss not only to gardening programmes but to broadcasting as a

fance was.

Yours faithfully.

August 9. HINDLEY, PV Thurston, DM Wragk 1

### Curbing strikes in Merit of modular A levels examined

From the Secretary of the Headmasters' and Headmistresses' Conference

Sir. Your Education Correspondent's prediction of record A-level pass rates (report, August 5) should not be taken to imply that standards have fallen. Much confusion could be avoided if an acceptable definition of "stan-

dards" was forthcoming.
Presumably we are considering the grade that is given for work of particular quality: the higher the quality, the higher the grade. Assessment of quality should be as objective as possible and should be consistent over

Critics of current examining argue that while the quality of A-level work has not improved (some would say has declined) grades attaching to that work have been steadily inflated. It will be interesting to see if the Department for Education and Employment inquiry supports this view. Early evidence from a similar HMC inquiry shows some support for the opposite view: that in some elements of A-level

work quality is rising.

One such area is in modular courses, Whereas able candidates will do well whatever the system of examining, lower-ability candidates have benefited significantly from the introduction of modular schemes.

With more immediate goals their motivation is increased, they work harder and the quality of their work improves. By dividing a course with units and allowing exams to be re-taken the number of students able to cope with A level has been increased. We should applaud such progress rather than seek to restrict it.

There are important practical reasons why the number of examining sessions should be limited to two per year (January and June) and why there should be only one retake within a year; but we must not otherwise discourage students who find that the modular approach helps them to produce work of higher quality. Sir Ron Dearing and Mrs Sheohard will surely head the celebrations if record results are announced next week.

Yours faithfully, VIVIAN ANTHONY, Secretary, The Headmasters' and Headmistresses' Conference. 130 Regent Road, Leicester.

From the Headmaster of Kesteven & Sleaford High School

l regard Mrs Shephard's propos ed curb on the number of times a student can retake units of modular A levels as wholly realistic. Any time taken in preparing for a retake in the hope of an improved grade for a module can only be at the expense of preparation for later modules, which will inevitably suffer in comparison.

The average improvement of one grade by students on modular as against traditional linear courses is

only partly explained by the motiva-tion throughout two years rather than final cramming to which your report refers.

Another explanation is the disap pearance before the award of final grades of a number of students who have optimistically embarked on unsuitable courses, received hard evidence of that fact in early modules, and then changed direction rather than soldiering on to the end of a linear syllabus and an unhappy conclu-

Yours faithfully, N. W. McFARLANE, Headmaster, Kesteven & Sleaford High School, Jermyn Street, Sleaford, Lincolnshire.

From Mr G. B. Attwood

Sir, Your Education Correspondent points out that only 4 per cent of modular candidates fail but offers no explanation as to why this figure is so much lower than that of candidates following a traditional course.

A major cause of this discrepancy is that candidates who have not accumulated enough points to pass the A level simply do not bother to "cash in" and therefore do not appear in the final statistics.
Consider 100 candidates following a

traditional course with an average mark of 50 per cent (a grade D). About 20 of these candidates would fail and on a modular course they would not appear in the final statistics. If we assume these 20 candidates (who all scored under 40 per cent) averaged 20 per cent each, then the remaining 80 candidates would have a mean of 57.5 per cent (close to a C grade).

At a modular level in mathematics it is quite normal for 20 to 30 per cent of candidates to fail but this is not reflected in the final statistics.

Yours faithfully. G. B. ATTWOOD (Chief examiner of modular mathematics at A level). The Cross, Repton, Derby. August 5.

From Miss Hannah J. Fairweather

Sir. Your Education Correspondent does thousands of us, who have worked hard for our A levels, a severe dis-

While referring to the higher grades achieved by students taking modular examinations he omits to mention the fact that the majority of subjects remain as they have always been - two years' hard work tested in six hours of

Perhaps your correspondent would like to attempt some of our three-hour

Yours sincerely. HANNAH J. FAIRWEATHER. 7 Broad Oaks Road,

Solihull, West Midlands.

August 5.

#### Building land re-use

From Mr Nigel Moor

Sir, Ian Murray's Viewpoint ("Where will we build 27 Milton Keynes?". Public Management, August 1) shows a too ready acceptance of the Joseph Rowntree Foundation's suggestion that the high cost of reclaiming brownfield" sites is proving such a deterrent that developers will provide at most only about 40 per cent of the land needed.

This contrasts with the 1995 Housing White Paper's 50 per cent target for reused sites, which appears to have been achieved.

I searched the report. The People -Where Will They Go?, in vain to see whether there was strong empirical evidence to support the assertions. The anecdotal evidence, based on the perceptions of participants in regional seminars, hardiv amounts to rigorous research on which to assess government policy for sustainable develop-

My company, working for a wide range of government departments, local authorities, utilities, landowners and developers, has found that opportunities for reusing brownfield sites continually occur. Much land has been released after industrial restructuring in the 1980s and in the wake of the "peace dividend" that freed military establishments and airfields. Changes in health services and privatisation of utilities have also helped.

It would be folly if the target of 50 per cent for housing development on reused sites, which has only just been reached, were given less weight in the

Yours sincerely, NIGEL MOOR (Managing Director), RPS Nigel Moor. Centurion Court, 85 Milton Park. Abingdon, Oxfordshire.

#### **Butterworth memorial** From Mr Robert Gower

Sir, It was good to see Anthony Murphy's tribute (Arts. August 5) to George Butterworth, the 31-year-old musical genius killed in the trenches in 1916, for whom there is no known

grave. Butterworth taught music at Radley from 1909 to 1910. In 1985, the centen-ary of his birth, money was raised through public subscription and through the generosity of the Vaughan Williams and Finzi trusts to commission and install in the music school here an engraved glass memorial by Laurence Whistler. It movingly promotes Butterworth's name and art

here in his native country. Yours faithfully ROBERT GOWER. Radley College, Abingdon, Oxfordshire. August 8.

#### Spot on!

From Mr David Pickering

Sir. A suitable tribute to Britten - statue or bird table (letters, July 26; August 2, 91? Judging from the state of many statues, either would be equally appreciated by the birds.

Yours faithfully, DAVID PICKÉRING. 16 Radeliffe Square. Putney Hill, SW15.

'Virtuous cycle' From Mr Christopher Dent

Sir. Your editorial, "Virtuous cycle" (August 9), quite rightly suggests that cyclists should lobby for better provision for their chosen means of trans-

I would, however, suggest that caution should be exercised in asking for "separate provision". Much money has been wasted on expensive and illsigned cycle tracks which do not fulcyclists' needs, because they give the best routes to motorists and relegate cyclists to inferior routes which are sometimes not where they wish to

Yours faithfully, CHRIS DENT (Architect and town planner), 140 Ardington Road, Northampton. August [[.]

From Mrs Margaret Bearman Sir. Now that there is a campaign to reclaim the streets for cyclists may we hope for another to reclaim pavements and footpaths from cyclists?

Yours faithfully MARGARET BEARMAN, 20 Oaks Drive, Colchester, Essex, August 9.

for publication should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number -0171-782 5046.

Letters that are intended

#### 'Dog-in-manger' attitude to call-box

From Lord St John of Fawsley. Chairman of the Royal Fine Art Commission

Sir. I was dismayed to read the report (Business, August 9) about BTs dogin-the-manger attitude to Sir Giles Gilbert Scott's telephone kiosk. By resorting to litigation, in an attempt to prevent New World Payphones and other payphone operators from using the traditional K6 box, BT is demonstrating once again its disturbing lack of concern for the quality of the public

realm. It is odd that BT should be so pro prietorial about the K6. After all, it has treated it with consistent contempt, first by removing Scott's glazing bars and then, most damagingly, by replacing all but a handful of Kos with tawdry, ill-designed kiosks.

Given that record, and given the fact that the Ko was designed (with considerable help from the Royal Fine Art Commission) for use by a public utility, it is doubtful that BT has any moral claim to the Ko whatsoever. And since New World would. I understand, distinguish any Kos they used by painting them green, it is highly unlikely that there would be any confusion in practice with the red Kbs operated by BT.

Whatever the rights and wrongs of this controversy, it should not be al-lowed to disguise the wider failure of any payphone operator to come up with a modern kiosk of sufficient quality to stand alongside the K6. We urgently need BT (and perhaps its competitors as well) to hold a design competition for a new kiosk. Much as the RFAC welcomes the retention and reinstatement of as many Kbs as possible, that is no substitute in the long term for finding a really good contemporary design.

Yours sincerely. St JOHN of FAWSLEY. Chairman. The Royal Fine Art Commission. 7 St James's Square, SWI. August 9.

#### Yours, puzzled

From Mrs Jenny Baker

Sir. To attempt a crossword in someone else's newspaper is indeed a heinous crime, particularly if one is a guest (letters, August 8, 9).

On a business flight last year. I was crammed into the window seat and trying to fold my Times into a handy size so that I could do the crossword The associate accompanying me, and whom at that time I employed, leaned forward and obligingly gave me his solution to 3 across.

We have not flown together since -I no longer require his services.

Yours faithfully, J. M. BAKER (Chief Executive) The Hallingbury Centre, The Hall, Great Hallingbury, Bishop's Stortford, Hertfordshire.

From Mr Hugh Leonard

Sir, My wife is a crossword fiend and utterly without scruples. In the interests of self-preservation, I cut the daily ouzzle out of The Times, make a copy of it and leave it beside her coffee cup. I recommend that Paul Downes

(August 8) does the same under the

guise of extending a courtesy towards

his house guests. Or, of course, he could always leave the paper open at this page and draw a heavy circle around his own letter. Yours, unpuzzied.

HUGH LEONARD. 6 Rossaun. Pilot View, Dalkey, Co Dublin.

From Mr David Lye Sir, Mr Paul Downes should provide his guests with tracing paper.

Yours faithfully, DAVID LYE, Flat A, 118 Bridgeman Road, N1. August 8.

From Mr Stuart Dunlop

Sir, A good friend of mine does the crossword without recourse to pen or pencil when he comes to stay. At least, that's what he says ...

Yours etc STUART DUNLOP Arden House, Shoppenhangers Road, Maidenhead, Berkshire, August 9.

From Professor Emeritus

Herbert H. Huxley Sir. Mr Downes poses a problem: Wordsworth supplies the answer: Give all thou canst; high Heaven rejects

Of nicely-calculated less or more The perfect host ensures that every guest has a copy of The Times.

Yours appreciatively, H. H. HÜXLEY. 12 Derwent Close, Cambridge.

From Miss Joanna Richardson

Sir. Perhaps Mr Downes can take comfort from my own experience. I once returned to a hotel bedroom to find my crossword puzzle completed and a note from the chambermaid: "Sorry, I couldn't resist!"

Yours faithfully, JOANNA RICHARDSON. 55 Flask Walk, Hampstead, NW3. August 9.

#### **SOCIAL NEWS**

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will pay a state visit to Thailand from October 28 to November 1.

#### University news Oxford

The Patrick Mallam Memorial Prize in Clinical Medicine for 1996 has been awarded to Jonathan Eben Folb, New **Turbutt Prizes** 

First year: Miss Catherine De Rouffignac, Keble; Miss Joanna Hillard, Jesus; Miss Catherine Jewell, St Catherine's; Miss Reena Malde, Somerville; Miss Michelle Pratt, St Edmund Hall.

Second year: Mr Benjamin Greedy, St Catherine's; Miss Zoe Hughes-Thomas, University: Miss Rebecca Nicholson, Jesus: Miss Caroline Ringrose, Lady Margaret Half; Mr Christopher Seward, Jesus; Mr Jonathan Wright, New College.

#### Birthdays today

Miss Sheila Armstrong, so-prano. 54: Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Beavis, 67: Mar-quess Carnden. 66: President Fidel Castro of Cuba. 69: Esther Los Charbelois Father Leo Chamberlain, OSB, Headmaster, Ampleforth College, 56; Mr Domenico Dolce, fashion designer, 38; Mr Roy Evans, trade unionist, 65; Miss Marie Helvin, model, 44; Mr Ben Hogan, golfer, 84; Mr Tony Jarrett, athlete, 28: Sir Thomas Legg. QC. Permanent Secre-tary, Lord Chancellor's Department, 61: Mr C.A. Lyons, trade unionist, 67; Sir John Milne, former chairman, Blue Circle Industries, 72: Lord Oram, 83; Mr Mark Pyper, Headmaster, Gordonstoun School, 49; Lord Sainsbury, 94: Dr Frederick Sanger, OM. CH, biochemist, 78; Mr Alan Shearer, footballer, 26; Mr George Shearing, pianist, 76; Air Chief Marshal Sir Denis Smallwood, 78; Mr Timothy Wood, MP, 56.

#### **Anniversaries**

BIRTHS: James Gillray, caricaturist, London. 1756; Queen Adelaide, Consort of King William IV. Meiningen, 1792; Sir George Grove, engineer and editor of the music dictionary bearing his name, London, 1820; Annie Oakley, rifle markswoman, Ohio, 1860; John Nicholson Ireland. composer, Bowdon, Cheshire, 1879; John Logie Baird, pio-neer of television. Helensburgh, Strathclyde, 1888; C.R.W. Nevinson, painter, Hampstead, 1889; Sir Alfred Hitchcock, film directorproducer, Leytonstone, London, 1899; Sir Basil Spence, architect, Bombay. 1907; Archbishop Makarios III, Primate of the Orthodox Church of Cyprus and President of the Republic of Cyprus.

Paphos, 1913. DEATHS: Jeremy Taylor, divine, Lisburn, Co Antrim. 1667; René Laennec, physician. Kerlouanec. France.

The Rev Michael Gill. Vicar in

the Rectorial Benefice of Ebbw

Vale (Monmouth diocese) to

be Vicar of Tonypandy with

The Rev Nicholas James Ke-

ble Court. Priest Vicar of

Liandaff Cathedral, to be Vic-

ar of Graig St John and Priest

The Rev Barbara John, Curate

of Radyr, also to be Bishop's

Mr John Griffith Williams,

QC, to be Deputy Chancellor

The Rev Precentor Frederick

Glynne Turner, Vicar of

Whitchurch and Precentor of

of the Diocese of Llandaff.

in Charge of Cilfynydd.

Diocese of Llandaff

Clydach Vale.

in the Diocese.

Retirement

Lay appointment

1826; Eugène Delacroix, paint-er, Paris, 1863; Sir John Millais, Bt, President of the Royal Academy 1896, London, 1896; Ira David Sankey, evangelist, 1908; Florence Nightingale, hospital reformer, London, 1910; Jules Massenet, composer, Paris, 1912; H.G. Wells, writer, London, 1946. The Cape of Good Hope was

ceded to Britain by the Dutch, Wagner's Der Ring des Nibelungen was first per-

formed in its entirety, Bayreuth, 1876. Victory of the Duke of Marlborough at Blenheim, 1704.

Construction of the Berlin Wall was started, at first with barbed wire, 1961. The last executions in Britain took place when two men were hanged for murder at Walton

#### prison, Liverpool, and Strangeways, Manchester, Appointments

on November 2. Diocese of Bangor The Rev Andrew Jones, Clericin-Charge of the Parishes of

of those Parishes. The Rev Edgar Jones to be Cleric-in-Charge of Llangeini (with Tregaean and Llangristiolus with Cerrigceinwen).

The Rev Robert Townsend, a Minor Canon in the Rectorial Benefice of Bangor, to be

Church in Wales Llandaff Cathedral, will retire

> Llanbedrog, Llannor, Bodfuan and Llanfihangel Bachellaeth, to be incumbent

The Rev Meurig Liwyd Williams, Cleric-in-Charge of Denio (Pwllheli) with Abererch to be incumbent of those

Incumbent of the Parish of

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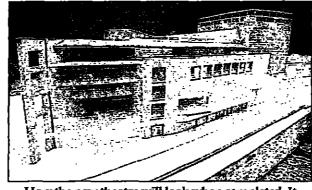


Wearing hard hats and masks and lit to look suitably theatrical, workers start the job of demolition

#### Sadler's Wells makes way for its new building

THE Sadler's Wells Theatre January last year staff and is surrounded by hoardings and demolition work has started on the building in Clerkenwell, London, where 60 years ago Ninette de Valois established the Sadier's Wells ballet and Alicia Markova, Margot Fonteyn, Robert Helpmann and Michael Somes starred. Soon there will be nothing left. In

supporters successfully app-lied to the Arts Council for money to rebuild Sadler's Wells and the new theatre. the fifth on the site, will be the first to be rebuilt with National Lottery cash. During the two-year development Sadler's Wells will operate from the Peacock Theatre in Portugal Street, off Kingsway.



How the new theatre will look when completed. It will be the fifth to stand on the site

#### Church of England

The Rev Nelson Kagwa, Programmes Co-ordinator of the Black Community Forum (UK), Sheffield: to be Vicar, St Paul, Wordsworth Avenue, Sheffield (Sheffield). The Rev Clare King, Chaplain

of Croydon College (South-wark): to be Chaplain (halftime), Royal Hallamshire Hospital, Sheffield (Sheffield). The Rev Peter Knapper, Priest-in-charge, Blackheath, The Ascension (Southwark): to be Priest-in-charge, St Mary Magdalene, Holmwood (Guildford).

The Rev Robin Lapwood. Team Vicar, St Andrew's, Hatters Lane, High Wycombe: to be Priest-in-charge, Marcham w Garford (Oxford).

The Rev Francis Makambwe. Parish Evangelist, St John w St Andrew, Waterloo: to be Vicar, St Catherine (Haber-Hatcham dashers). (Southwark).

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#### **Britannia Royal Naval College** Vice-Admiral Sir Toby Frere, Small, G C Turnelty, A G

Chief of Fleet Support, took the salute at a Passing Out Parade held at Britannia Roy-al Naval College on July 25. The following officers passed out

Direct Graduate Entry. Seamen: Sub Lieutenants K L M Babbington, G C Brockington. A J Clemson, S C Coles, C D Gatenby, J Jones, P I Lumsden, D S Morley, P T O'Brien, E L Pavey, C E M Saunders, P Skidmore, R H Witte, B Woodford.

Midshipmen R Ackerley, P Daly, I R Finch, M J Hember, R J Moran. University Cadet Midshipman M B Feeney.

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Navai College Entry,

Direct Graduate Entry, Engineer:

Wood. Graduate Entry, Direct

Supply: Sub Lieutenants J Haigh, D L Porter, S W Quantrill, A J Stockbridge, E J Stowe. Naval College Entry, Supply: Midshipman J Hooper. Direct Graduate Entry, 84 Flight Pilots:

Sub Lieutenants A R Baines, J Frean, S B Gamble, J M Holder, D R Hooton, S M Hughes, M R Leighton, B C Lewis, M D Pedler, K M Thomson, J Wilson. Navai College Entry. 84

Flight Pilots: Midshipmen P A Greenwood. J B Mount, G I Simmonite. Direct Graduate Entry. 84 Flight Observers: J Cole, H M McKee, D J Normanshire.

Internationals Entry 96/1: Sub Lieutenants J H Brutton, Midshipmen Abrahams, Al

Qabandi Bader, Al Qabandi Nasser, Al Shehi, Al Zaabi, R Charles, Daboh Brima Umaru, Lim Jiun Yan. Mahmood, Marafi, Ng Pak Boon.

Special Duties Course 2/96: Sub Lieutenants J F Blacklock. I Brint, I Calter, A Case, S C Dunkley, P Harriman, S P Lawrence, M J Lawton, S A Lovett, R G Manwaring, S M Pearch, N Reed, M Smith, PG

#### Latest wills

Recent estates include (net before tax):

Sub Lieutenants J C Clarke, D Mr John Goulton Sooby, of Mansfield, Nottingham £563,770 Mrs Joan Barbara Stone. of

Weybridge, Surrey.... £805,636 

**DEATHS** 

# Appointments | Forthcoming

Royal Navy and Royal Marines CAPTAIN: B M Leavey - Sultan 18.10.96: R A I McLean - MOD London in rank of Cdre 13.1.97: P J Pacey - Madrid b.12.96; M S Williams Fearless in Cmd 10.12.96.

in the Forces

COLONEL: A M Mason - HQRM COMMANDER: 1 F Corder Splendid in Cmd 14.1.97; RJ Crick-Staff of ZSL/CNH 1.10,96; J T Holloway - Staff of CINCFLEET 20.12,96; P J Horsted - DGSS Bristol 17.9.96; L M Jeram-Croft - MOD Bath 12.11.96; P A Jones - MOD London 7.3.97; J H A Lea - Devonport 25.10.96; G E Mac-Donald - Staff of 25L/CNH 5.12.96; P G Melville-Brown - Staff of 2SL/CNH 4.10.96: D G Molyneaux - Illustrious 4.10.96; P I Phillips - Staff of POSF I.II.96; J D Plummer - Shefford 17.9.96; S J Timms - SHAPE Belgium 13.12.96; L Van Beek - DGSS Bristol 5.11.96; M W Worrall - Nelson 20.12.96; R J S Wykes-Sneyd - Staff of FONA

COMMANDER: T G L Burne 5.10.96; D L Howells - 26.10.96; 1

The Army MAJOR-GENERAL: M D Jackson to be DG AITO 5.8.96.
COLONEL RJ York to DG Log Sp

Retirement BRIGADIER: R C Wolverson ADC late IG 6.8.96.

Royal Air Force GROUP CAPTAINS: M R Bettell HQ 11/18 Gp 5.8.96; P A Robinson RAF Cranwell 9.8.96; D M Moss HQ PTC 128.96.

WING COMMANDER: A J Pennington - JSPI Wyton 29.7.96; A D Pullord - 18 SQN Laarbruch 29.7.96; D J Foster - RAF Staff College Bracknell 2.8.96: T L Boyle - HQ IGp High Wycombe 5.8.96; W J Gimblett - HQ STC 5.8.96; I F Harper - DERA Famborough 5.8.96; W Hush - RAF Henlow 5.8.96; D C Williams - RCAF 5.8.96; B N Bolton - MOD London, 5.8.96; C F Caunt - DCTA Bicester 5.8.96; M N Primett - MOD 5.8.96; S P Atherton - 16 MU Stafford 12.8.96; L Chew - MDHU Peterborough 128.96; M M Ward - HQ LC London 128.96.

# marriages

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Mr A.W. Duff and Miss E.M. Holbrook The engagement is announced between Andrew, only son of the late Dr John Watson Duff and of Mrs Duff. of Harmer Hill. Shrewsbury, and Elizabeth, only daughter of the late Mr John P. Holbrook and of Mrs Lorna Holbrook, of Hailey, Oxfordshire.

Mr A.T. Sinker and Miss E.A. Spillett

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The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr and Mrs David Sinker, of Benington, Hertfordshire, and Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Dr and Mrs Robert Spillett, of Woodbridge, suffolk

Mr D. Rigler and Miss K. Edwards

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs G. Rigler, of Harrogate, and Katie, daughter of His Honour Judge Elgan Edwards, of Chester, and Mrs Jane Edwards, of Worsley, Manchester.

Mr P. Witten and Miss C. Purdou

The engagement is announced between Paul, son of Mr and Mrs Rudi Witten, of London, N3, and Chantal, daughter of the late Mr Peter Purdon, and of Mrs Nicole Eyles, of Grimaud, France.

Mr P.J. Woodfield and Miss N.K. Sant

The engagement is announced between Philip, son of Mr and Mrs John Woodfield, of Newport. Gwent, and Nichola, daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Sant, of Holmes Chapel, Cheshire.

#### Marriage

Mr N.A. Norman and Miss O.J. Cadell The marriage took place on Sat-

urday, August 3, at The Sacred Heart Church, Sunningdale, of Mr Neil Norman, elder son of Mr and Mrs Roy Norman, to Miss Olivia Cadell, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Ian Cadell. Father Iain Matthew officiated.

The bride, who was given in

marriage by her father, was artended by Lucy Cadell and by Algernon and Octavia Rothwell. Mr Max Rothwell was best man.

# Through a glass not quite so darkly

By Norman Hammond, archaeology correspondent

EVERYONE knows that archaeologists dig up pot sherds
— but broken glass? Emphati-cally yes, and Glass News has just been launched to keep the growing number of specialists in touch with each other. While Roman and medieval glass vessels are both common and well researched, the origins of the craft are still being

The first glazed artefacts come from Mesopotamia and are more than 6,000 years old, but glass containers appear only 3,500 years ago, suddenly becoming fashionable from Iran to Mycenae. Syria and Egypt were the main centres of development until glass became cheap and popular

across the Roman Empire.

Glass News is "a new initia-

Shepherd of the Museum of London, the editor. Vitreophiles will appreciate the cata-logue of conferences, and of publications on topics ranging from Roman glass found at Colchester to Irish Volunteer and Dublin engraved glass of the past century.

An Internet forum, a triennial international congress, and a wide-ranging journal link hundreds of professional and amateur specialists, and a new museum. "The World of Glass", is planned at St Helens, housing the Pilkington Collection. While glass studies are anything but obscure already, Glass News will enlighten us further. Contact the editor: John Shep-

herd, Museum of London, London Wall, London EC2Y tive to further the study of 5HN, fax 0171 600 1058,

#### BMDS: 0171 680 6880 PRIVATE: 0171 481 4000

BIRTHS

Colinton, Edinburgh.

REFUERS - On August 8th
1996, at St Anthony's
Rospital, Cheam, Lionel
Alfred, eged 87 years.
Releved hunkand of the late
Hargestite, dear companion
of jume, Eather of Colin and
Lorna, grandfather of
Susanna, Michael, Rath,
Chadine, Delia, Phoebe and
lavid and great-gandfather
of Isabal, Fuseral Service at
St James' Church,
Riddlesdown on Thursday,
August 15th at I pu
followed by interment at
Caterham Constany, Church
Hill, Caterham-on-the-Bill,
Family Howers only please
but donations, if desteed, to
RKLR Talking Book Service,
Mount Plansant, Wesnbley,
Middlesex HAO 1ER.

BOLTON - On Amount 5th 1996.

BOLTONI-On August 5th 1996, peacefully in Sidmouth, Helen Josephine (née Cuddon), aged 79 years. Descret sister of Dennis and the late Genddine. Requism Mass at The Church of the Most Precious Hood, Radway August 19th at 11 um, followed by interment. Howers of Dennis Flowers Service, Skimouth, please.

in Rampstead, Professor
James Charles Cooper,
beloved husband of Carolya,
much loved father of
Matthew and Assas and
beloved son of Phyllis,
Funtal Service at St James'
Church, NiO, Priday 16th
Angest at noon, Committal

Crumptonium, NZ.
COTTAMS - On August Stn 1996
Einest B. (Bob) aged 34.
Devoted friend of Fam
Bickerton-Smith, much
loved hother of Andrey and
Barble and dear Uncle of
their families, Private
funeral has taken place.
Dennicans if desired to the
ESPR, The Lodge, Sandy,
Beda, SG19 ZEE.

FAMIL-Dr. Rosensary suddenly on August 12th at Gerenlans Hospitzi, Anckland, New Zeeland, Much loved wife of the late Donald Fauli and Nichard.

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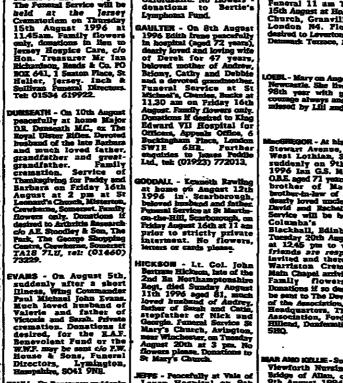
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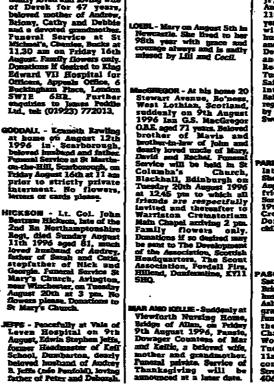
# What do people care for straight dealing who board in their palaces the gains of violence and plunds Amos 3 : 10 (REB) BIRTHS ORRESTER – On 6th August 1996, to Sarah (née Wallace-Turner) und Alexander, n-son, Jack Rory Robert Liganier. ARDRIG - On August 9th at The Portland Rospital, to Anne and Christopher, a daughter, Emily Rose.

nonstical - On Angust 4th, to Flora (née Campbell-Eoss) and Hugh, a son, Christopher Trelawny, a brother for Maliera.

OWERS - To Mark and Rebocca

#### SHETT - On Angust 10th at Odstock Hospital, Salisbury, John Alfred, dedicated schoolmaster, devoted husband and very much loved father, grandfather and great-grandfather. Private family cremation. Service of Thanksglving in the Autumn. No flowers by request but donations, if desired, for Shaftesbury Royal Editsh Legion may be sent to Merefield & Henstridge, FID, Melbury Abhes, Shaftesbury, Donat SF7 OBU. CAMBUITAMS. - Phyllis May, on Angust Sth. beloved wife of James Edwin and dearly loved mother of James Alexander. Service at Carist Church, Chorisywood, on Priday August 16th at 11 am, followed by interment at Chorleywood Laws. CLAYTON - Rescaluly on 9th. KINSMAM BARKER - On August 10th 1996 Mary Claudine aged 59 years of Wadebridge, Cornwall, from cancer which she hundled with outstanding fortitude. Wife of Dr. Gordon Kinssum Barker, daughter of Violet Cleave, sister to Colim and David. Funeral Service Egloshayie Parish Church, Priday August 16th IL 15am. No flowers please. Deustinas in lieu if desired to either Cancer Research c/o Midland Bank, Wadebridge or if preferred to Mount Edgeumbe Hospice c/o Barclays Bank, Wadebridge. Enquiries (01208) 812626. DEBMY - Mangaret Louise on 11th August after a short illness aged 75. Whlow of Major Noed: Butty Denny MC. and mother of Louise, David, Jonathan and Rupert. Funeral at 12 noon on Pridey 16th August at St Paul's Church, Holt Lane, Wokingham, Enquiries and flowers to JR. Hall, Funeral Directors, 142 Finchampstead Road, Wokingham, Berks. RG11 2NU (01734-793623). Donations, if desired, to Duchess of Kent Ward Fund cie JR. Hall. FULENTON - On August 9th in the private wing of Charing Cross Ecopital, Anne aged 57, after long battle against cancer heavely fooght. Much loved wife and mother. Family flowers only, donations if desired to The Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund c/o Leverton & Sons Ltd., Funeral Directors. Enquiries (0171) 387-6075. SIMPSOM - On 10th Angust a The Portland Hospital, v Jacqueline (née Dudley) an David, a son, Theodor Charles Edward. Education Advisor for the Eastern Division of the West Riding County Council, Very dear friend of the late Margaret Dunn, peacefully in hospital on August 9th. The funeral service will be held at the Church of the Ascension, Whizley, on Wednesday August 14th at 11 am followed by potrate cremation. Duratious please to Cancer Research, Yorkshire. Bruce, Duncah and A grandmother of un ar grant-grandmother. Fun Service at St Savio Church, Oxton, Wirral Friday August 15th 12.15pm followed cremation at Landi Enquiries and flower Charles Stephens Fun Directors, tek (0151) (4396. SURGES - On Angust 7th at The Portland Hospital, to Josephine Aburine and Victor Cridere, a lovely haby girl, Sabrina Aburine. Enquiries (0171) 387-6075. GARTMER - Albert Friedrich. Bertie passed away peacefully after a long illness, courageously boxes, on Angust 9th 1996. Beloved husband of Meg. father of Kim, Best and Brys, and Papa to Amy and Benjamin. Funeral Service at Hackfriess Priory, St Giles, Oxford on Thorsday August 15th at 2.30 pm. All are welcome to colobrate his life afterwards at The Old Earn, Mill Lane, Great Haseley, Oxfordshira. No flowers donations to Bertie's Lymphoma Fund. GAMILTER - On 8th August **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS** ALSAGER - On August 5th at 1515 at The Fortland Hospital, to Shadin and Ahned Aisagus, a besutiful daughter, Alya, a sister for WESTROPE - The family of the late knew Westrope wish to thank all relatives and friends for their kindness, support, floral tributes and messages of sympathy following their sad loss. Special thanks to Reverent J. Sunsom for his comforting service and to John Lucas Peneral Directors for their attentiveness. Please accept this as the only intimation. DECIMES - On Saturday 10th August 1996, Dr. Resti Gordon Dickins CHE (Rickie) peacefully in the Edith Dickins Wing at Clarkson House (Jersey Hospice), aged 38 years. Beloved husband of Edith and brother of Elbern and Jack. The Fomenal Service will be held at the Jersey Cramatorium on Thursday 15th August 1996 at 11.45am. Family flowers only, dometions in Reu in Jersey Hospice Care, clo Hon. Treasurer Mr Ian Richardson, Reads & Co. FO BOX 641, I Santon Flace, St. Helier, Jersey. Jach & Sullivan Femeral Directors. Tech 01534 619922. MOLAN - Irene Rose "Lynda" died August 6th. My love for you will hever leave you. David. Vincent, Judith, Dominic and all her family. Requiem 12 noon Friday 16th St Mangaret's Church, Twickenham. Enquiries (0181) 744-1125. BARBER - On 21st July, to Susi and Bichard, a sun, Harry George, a brother for Alex, William, Jonathan and LOCKEYEAR - In London after a short illness james Herbert Lockeyear, aged 78. Advisory teacher to the ILEA. 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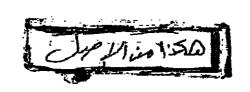


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#### **OBITUARIES**

#### **WOLFE MORRIS**

Wolfe Morris, actor, died on July 21 aged 71. He was born on January 5, 1925

WOLFE MORRIS was an ebullient character actor who filled the stage with his expressive voice and gestures. There was nothing halfhearted or understated about him. and this very expansiveness may have been the reason why he was not more often seen in the cinema. After a promising start in films. Morris looked set to go further as a screen actor. But, as things turned out, he was to make his mark on the stage, where his talent had room to express itself.

There was something almost Method-like about Morris's complete immersion in a character (although he had far too much respect for the text ever to go completely down the Method route). Long before it became fashionable to do so. Morris was changing not only his manner of walking or speaking for a part, but often gaining and losing weight for it. He prepared for a television advertisement with almost the same zeal as for a role in Shakespeare. The smouldering East European passion he brought to a part might conceivably have stood him in better stead in America, where his appearances were confined to summer stock. But in Britain, where acting tends to rely more on understatement. Morris risked seeming old-fashioned. He was mostly admired by theatre critics, but occasionally patronised by those who thought there was just too much of him.

Morris was born in Portsmouth, one of nine children. His grandfather was a Russian Jew who had carried his son (Morris's father) on his shoulders across Europe to start a new life in Britain. His father, after working in Jewish music halls in the East End of London, became a businessman. Wolfe's mother had a glorious mezzo soprano voice, and used to sing at family weddings. Despite his exotic upbringing, and East European features, Morris regard-

ed himself as a Hampshire man. He was educated at Porstmouth Grammar School, where he shone at drama. He had a wonderful voice, even at this age, expressive and resonant. His mother would have preferred him to go to university, but Morris was set on a career in acting and won a scholarship to RADA at the age of 16. He won the Forbes Robertson and Kendal prizes while he was there,

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother. She congratulated him warmly on his acting and, when she returned to RADA the next year. made a point of asking how the young Morris had fared.

As was to be expected, the war affected his career. He served in the RAF as a wireless operator in the Middle East and Far East. After-wards he launched himself into a film career. Ill Met by Moonlight (1957) and Nine Hours to Rama (1963) allowed him to work with Michael Powell, and he made more than twenty films in all. But he was also gaining a reputation for his stage work and scored a particular triumph in The Immoralist in the late 1940s, directed by Peter Hall at the Arts Theatre Club. This was an adaptation of the Andre Gide novel, in which Morris played a young Arab boy. The homosexual theme of the play ensured a great

deal of publicity.

Morris joined Robert Atkins's company at the Open Air Theatre in Regent's Park in the 1950s, and also the Royal Shakespeare Company. He had small parts in Henry VIII and later, touring with the RSC, he appeared in The Taming of the Shrew. The work of Shake-speare and Marlowe suited him well. It demonstrated his beautiful speaking voice and his enthusiasm

for the English language. In 1960 he played Godbole (the part taken by Alec Guinness in the film) in the stage version of A Passage to India at the Comedy, for which Morris taught himself the art of singing the Indian raga. E. M. Forster wrote him a letter saying it was the most accurate portraval of the character he had witnessed. He played another Oriental - this time a Japanese - in The Tea House of the August Moon at Her Majesty's Theatre in

In the 1970s he went on to the Manchester Royal Exchange Theatre where he played Sir Toby Belch in Twelfth Night (1978). In 1980, for a particularly fine production of Waiting for Godot there, he appeared as Pozzo, portraying him as a monstrous, greedy, dictatorial creature in a pin-striped suit. He approached learning Beckett as though it were music, enunciating every "pause" to himself as he rehearsed his lines. But there was nothing academic or bloodless about his interpretation of the role.

His Shakespearean characters were similarly fleshy portrayals. He knew not only how to speak the lines, but also how to round out the mance of Richard III in front of For his Caliban in The Tempest, in the Six Wives of Henry 1711. in 1970. gist and, after touring the play in their daughter survive him.



which he toured the Middle East, he brought out the character's fishlike qualities. But he also played excellent farce. He was the bank manager who lost his trousers in an overseas tour of No Sex Please, We're British.

His best television work was Thomas Cromwell in

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For this he took his young daughter, Shona, on a guided tour of various castles in Britain, to view the portraits of Cromwell. Shona became an actress herself, and one of the last pieces of theatre he did was to play opposite his daughter in Big Hysteria. His part was that 19th-century French neurolothis country, he took the production to Russia.

He met his wife Eva at the Perth Repertory Company, and they were married in 1950. They lived in Hampstead and she became his secretary and manager. After their daughter had left home, she accompanied him on tours. Both she and

#### **GERRY GOMEZ**

Gerry Gomez. West Indian cricketer and cricket administrator, died at Port of Spain, Trinidad, on August 6. aged 76. He was born there on October 10, 1919.

FIRST as an all-round cricketer, then as manager of the West Indies team and finally as an administrator, Gerry Gomez was among the game of cricket's great favourites. He had the softest of manners, the firmest of views and the highest of standards.

For the last four years he had overseen, as president of the Queen's Park Cricket Club in Port of Spain, major improvements at the Queen's Park Oval, one of Test cricket's most emotive settings.

Of Portuguese extraction, Gerald Ethridge Gomez was the son of J. E. Gomez, himself a first-class cricketer from Trinidad in the days when the game in the Caribbean was still being held back by isolation. Gerry Gomez was a natural and enthusiastic games player, an inter-island footballer in his teens and a versatile, albeit unspectacular, cricketer. He died on the tennis court, suffering a heart attack while playing a regular weekly doubles.

Gomez came to England for the first time in 1939 as a young member of R. S. Grant's West Indian side, and for the second as one of the pillars of J. D. Goddard's side in 1950, the one that came with no great expectations and yet carried all before it. Gomez's steadiness with bat and ball was a useful foil to the brilliance of the three Ws: Walcott, Weeks and Worrell, and the sorcery of Ramadhin and Valentine, the "spin twins" whose deeds gave rise to the famous calypso, Cricket, lovely cricket. This was written to celebrate West Indies' first Test victory in England, achieved at Lord's in June

Gomez played 29 Test matches, in the course of which he amassed a total of 1,243 runs, took 58 wickets and held 18 catches. He was a sturdy batsman and a swing bowler of gentle pace who could turn to off breaks when circumstances required it. His one Test hundred was against India at Delhi in 1948-49, a tour on which he bore the brunt of the bowling. He captained West Indies once,

when George Headley was forced to withdraw from the second Test match against England in 1947-48. He also umpired in a Test match. the third between West Indies and Australia at Georgetown in 1964-65, when an emergency arose. As one of the radio commentary team daughter.

and a West Indian selector at the time, he had helped to choose the home side and after removing the bails at the end of each day's play he repaired to the microphone to sum things up - a tripartite responsibility of unique propor-

The fifth-highest parmership ever made in first-class cricket stands to Gomez and his friend and contemporary, both at school and in the West Indian side, J. B. Stollmeyer. They added 434 together for Trinidad against British Guiana at Port of Spain in 1947. Gomez also has a special place in the history of West Indian cricket as manager of Frank Worrell's side to Australia in 1960-61, the tour that



incorporated the first-ever tied Test and ended with the West Indians being accorded a ticker-tape farewell through the streets of Mel-bourne. The affection and respect which Gomez inspired had much to do with the popularity of the West Indians and the success of the

As the proprietor of the sports goods firm of Sports & Games in Port of Spain, Gerry Gomez was able to make time to serve cricket in all its aspects, not least as the champion of the umpiring fraternity in the islands and eventually as an elder statesman. While welcoming their success, he was concerned about the premium placed by successive West Indian sides on fast, short-pitched bowling; but he was too wise to be dogmatic in his strictures.

He is survived by his wife. Yvette, and their three sons and one

#### KEVIN MOORHOUSE

Kevin Moorhouse, test pilot died in an air crash on July 21 aged 50. He was born on December 30, 1945.

KEVIN MOORHOUSE who died in the crash of the last airworthy Mosquito at the Barton airshow, near

Manchester, had a flying career which began with Hawker Siddeley and involved him in testing some of British Aerospace's latest civil aircraft. Joining Hawker Siddeley as an apprentice, he had become successively a flight test observer and then a development test pilot with

Avro-Aerospace International. His career was unusual in that he had been with Avro from the beginning, and had not followed the traditional route to industry test piloting - via Service flying and a military test pilot school.

His skill as a pilot was acknowledged when he was

chosen, in 1993, to fly the historic Mosquito TIII, owned, maintained and displayed at airshows by the de Havilland Division of Hawker Siddeley Aviation and subsequently British Aerospace. after the aeroplane was been acquired from the RAF in 1963. The Mosquito, painted

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Brought up in Southport, Lancashire, John Kevin Moorhouse became enthusiastic about aviation from pleasure flights from Southport Sands, generally done in pre-Second World War types such as de Havilland Moth biplanes. From Stockport Technical College he went as an apprentice to the old Avro Manchester works in 1963, shortly after the company had been absorbed by Hawker Siddeley Aviation. His career as a pilot began when he joined the Avro Gliding Club at Woodford.

At Avro he was trained as a flight test observer and subsequently as a flight test engineer and was therefore steeped in test flying terminology and techniques by the time he gained a Private Pilot's Licence on his own account. As a result his employers sponsored him for his Commercial Pilot's Licence and he subsequently gained an Air-line Transport Pilot's Licence.

He became a commander of the company's communications aircraft and then a training captain, and took part in many military and commercial development and production flights.

He subsequently became a production test pilot and eventually a development test pilot. As such, he flew the BAe748 turbo-prop short/medium range turboprop airliner and the BAel46, the quiet, small four-jet airliner which has been one of the company's great successes internationally. He was also responsible for much of the test flying of the BAe advanced turboprop (ATP) regional transport aircraft, which ultimately succeeded the 748. His involvement was concentrated on runway performance trials

and in noise measuring tests

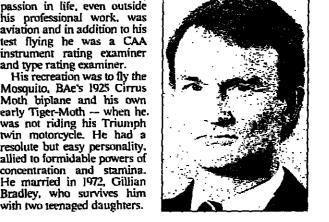
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his professional work, was aviation and in addition to his test flying he was a CAA instrument rating examiner and type rating examiner. His recreation was to fly the Mosquito, BAe's 1925 Cirrus

Kevin Moorhouse's abiding

Moth biplane and his own early Tiger-Moth -- when he was not riding his Triumph twin motorcycle. He had a resolute but easy personality. allied to formidable powers of concentration and stamina. He married in 1972, Gillian Bradley, who survives him with two teenaged daughters.



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#### SIR HENRY WOOD'S **40TH SEASON**

The audience which filled every seat and every inch of standing room at the Queen's Hall on Saturday night was determined that the occasion should not pass unmarked by some special demonstration of its feelings. The problem of how to convey to Sir Henry Wood the simultaneous congratulation, gratitude, and respect of some 3,000 people might seem difficult since one ovation is very like another, and there comes a point, reached long ago at the "Proms", when applause cannot get louder or even longer. But the difficulty was solved simply and spontaneously when all the seat-holders, prompted by those at the sides who stood up for a better view of the conductor, rose in their places to receive him. The Fortieth Season Conducted by Sir Henry Wood", to quote the accurate words of the programme. began more solemnly than usual. But Elgar had to be remembered on such an

occasion, especially as during the rest of

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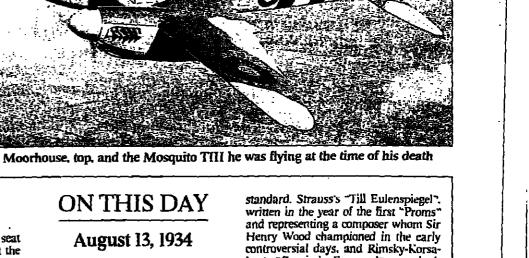
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For all the euphoria attending this Prom. the readers were not allowed to forget that the account was written by Our Music Critic.

the season his works, with the exception of the First Symphony, are to be used as make-weights after the interval. For his memorial the Prelude to The Kingdom was aptly chosen, since it represented the composer at his best and in an aspect infrequently presented to Promenade audiences. Gustav Holst, too, was represented by three of "The Planets", which were excellently played and most cordially received. The orchestra, led as usual by Mr. Charles Woodhouse, were evidently on their mettle, and some of the playing reached the highest possible

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kov's "Capriccio Espagnol" were both brilliantly played. In César Franck's Symphonic Variations the orchestral performance was less good, and it is to be hoped that this is not a foretaste of what is to happen in other concertos during the season. The pianoforte solo was played efficiently, but without much character, by Miss Irene Kohler. The other soloists were Miss Maggie Teyte. who sang Mimi's air from La Boheme exquisitely, and Mr. Dennis Noble, who gave of Figaro's air from The Burber of Seville a performance that was perfectly Italianate both in its good qualities and its bad. By way of "novelty" we were given transcriptions for strings of two Preludes by Bach made by Pick-Mangiagalli. After Miss Teyte had sung Liszt's setting of "Mignon's Song", the concert ended with renewed ovations for Sir Henry Wood and his men.



# Battlers on the wild frontier

Conservancy Trust was looking back on another productive year. Some of its 45 research scientists have been tracking radio-tagged grouse in Inverness-shire and identifying the main threats to their chicks, while others in the North of England have been making discoveries about the best way to reseed moors where the heather has been

wiped out by grazing sheep. But the Game Conservancy Trust, an independent research charity which has been in existence for more than 60 years, is nowadays concerned with much more than game birds. The widespread decline in partridge numbers has led it into studies of the general effect on wildlife of presentday farming methods, and its research now is as much into the survival of yellowhammers and skylarks, wild flowers and butterflies, as it is with targets for the guns.

Last year the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds itself commissioned the Trust to make a study of the diet of that little-seen bird of the West of England, the cirl bunting. The Trust also won the Wildlife Society of America's 1995 Group Achievement Award for Services to Wildlife ConserDerwent May on a charity's pioneering work to preserve species diversity



A grey partridge. Concern about falling partridge numbers led the Trust towards more general habitat research

— the first time the award has been given to an organisation outside the

In the Trust's Review of 1995, Dr Dick Potts, the director-general, writes persuasively about the disastrous effects of intensive farming on wildlife, and the urgent need to start reversing them. He brings up a subject that has been practically forgotten ley farming, or the sowing of ass within a corn crop, so that after the grain has been harvested a new crop of grass immediately springs up in the

This traditional method of farming brings enormous benefits to hares, partridges,

pheasants, corn buntings, skylarks, insects such as sawfly and leaf-hoppers, and flowers. The Trust has shown this by comparing a number of farms in Sussex, some of which still use and some of which have abandoned undersowing. But not a penny of the common agricultural policy budget in Britain has gone to help ley

farming. Dr Potts makes a strong case for the introduc-tion of a new policy here. He also warns against the

consequences of the proposed cut in grants for set-aside land to meet some of the cost of the beef crisis. On the contrary, he would like to see more conservation funds directed towards set-aside -- especially for those

Bird Cover Option on their setaside fields. This allows them to plant a mixture of crops, such as cereals and brassica. which is "non-harvestable"

but splendid for birds. The Trust has been doing many other things. On its farm at Loddington in Leicestershire, it has been planting its own set-aside fields with cover that has markedly increased the hare population. and has been seeding a wetland area for snipe conservation and study. Its woodcock studies also continue. It was Trust ornithologists who discovered that woodcock do not feed when they lie up for the day in woodland, but go down to forage for worms in fields at night - and also that they do not form steady pairs, but find mates at "leks", or communal display grounds. Deer, caper-caillie and — it goes without saying - pheasants have all come under the Trust's scruti-

The Trust has 25,000 members - and can boast that 16 per cent of the English countryside is now under the management of the individuals and organisations that belong to it. Pests and pesticides - you have both been

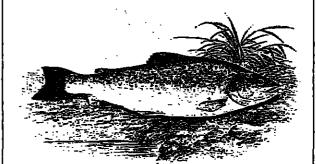
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## Of the first water

THE GAME Conservancy Trust also has fishy interests. On the River Piddle at Tolpuddle it has been experimenting successfully with the provision of good habitats for wild brown trout. Trout need a combination of deep pools and shallow "riffles" for spawning where the water runs over gravel. "Poaching" by cattle feeding on the banks quickly leads to the silting up of a river, but can easily be prevented by fencing. Once that has been done. small weirs and deflectors can be built to steer the current of the river so that pools are scoured out again. These devices are made of pebbles held in

place by weld-mesh, a kind of chicken wire, and they soon blend with the natural environment. In addition. gravel stretches can be cleaned with water jets, and Doating boards can provide shelter. In one stretch of the river where all these things were done, the trout population rose sixfold. The Piddle is also one of

the few rivers in the South of England where the na-tive white clawed crayfish survives. The Trust researchers found that the crayfish were absent from silty stretches of the river but abundant in the stretches cleaned up for trout. Helping the one evidently helps the other.

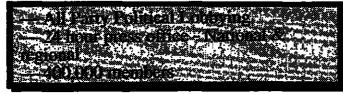


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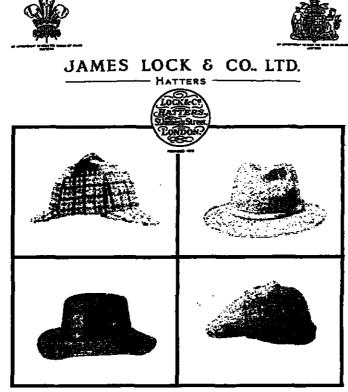
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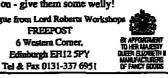
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# Composite proceedings avoid risk

Barings ple and Another v
Coopers & Lybrand (a Firm)
said that Barings was at all material times the ultimate hold-

Before Mr Justice Chadwick

(Judgment August 2) Claims by Barings plc against its auditors in London and in Singanore raised common questions of law and fact which arose out of the same transactions, namely the unauthorised dealings by Mr Nick Leeson on behalf of a Singapore subsidiary, and the court had jurisdiction to give leave to serve

the writ outside the jurisdiction of

the High Court. Composite proceedings in London offered the best chance of avoiding the risks that different courts might reach different conclusions on the same underlying facts and that the defendants might be sued in both London and Singapore in respect of the same

Furthermore, the question whether the auditors of a subsidiary company awed a duty of care to the parent company was a serious issue to be tried.

Mr Justice Chadwick so held in the Chancery Division when dismissing applications by the fourth and lifth defendants, Khoo Kum Wing and S. J. Tan, to set aside service outside the jurisdiction of a writ issued against them and Coopers & Lybrand, Chuly Chee Kheong Mah and Po'ad Bin Shaik Abu Bakar Mattar by the plaintiff, Barings plc. The second plaintiff was Bishopscourt (BS)

Leave to serve the writ nut of the jurisdiction had been granted by Master Barratt on January 23.

Mr Stanley Burnton, QC, Mr Richard Gillis and Mr Graham Halkaston for the plaintiffs: Mr Jonathan Gaisman, OC and Mr Christopher Butcher for the second and third defendants; Mr Richard Field, QC and Mr Philip Sales for first, fourth and fifth

ing company of a group which included Bishopsenurt, a company incorporated in the Cayman Islands and formerly known as

Barings Securities Ltd. Bishopscourt's subsidiaries included Baring Securities (London) Ltd. Baring Securities (Japan) Ltd. and Baring Futures (Singapore) Pre Ltd. which traded in financial futures on the Singapore inter-national monetary exchange and executed and cleared orders for the companies within the Barings group. Mr Lesson was an employee and, from mid-1993, the general manager of Baring Futures in Singapore.

The collapse of the Barings group in February 1995 following the discovery of massive losses incurred by the Singapore company was the subject of a report under the Banking Act 1987 by the Board of Banking Supervision of the Bank of England, It concluded, inter alia, that the unauthorised and ultimately catastrophic activities of one individual. Mr Leeson had gone undetected as a consequence of a failure of management and other controls of the most basic kind.

The first defendants, Coopers & Lybrand, were the external auditors of Barings in the financial years 1991 to 1994. Deloine & Touche, a firm of accountants practising in Singapore, of which the second and third defendants, Chaly Chee Kheong Mah and Poʻad Bin Shaik Abu Bakar Mattar were partners, were the external auditors of Barings Futures for the financial year ending September 30, 1992 and the 15 months ending December 31, 1993. The fourth and lifth defendants,

Khoo Kum Wing and S. J. Tan, were partners of Coopers & Lybrand (Singapore), who were Baring Futures's external auditors for the financial year ending December 31, 1994.

The plaintiffs claimed damages against the defendants for, inter-MR JUSTICE CHADWICK alia, failure to identify and report on the lack of internal controls and upon Mr Leeson's unauthorised trading through an account des-

The plaintiffs were granted leave to serve the writ on the second. third, fourth and fifth defendants out of the jurisdiction. The fourth and fifth defendants applied to set aside service of the writ on the ground that there was no good arguable claim, or alternatively no serious issue to be tried as between Barings and Coopers & Lybrand (Singapore) and that in all the circumstances the English court was not the appropriate forum for the trial of the claim.

His Lordship said that in order decide whether Coopers & Lybrand (Sinapore) were proper parties to the Barings action against Coopers & Lybrand he had to be satisfied to the standard of good arguable case on the test in Order 15, rule 4(1) of the Rules of the Supreme Court that if separate actions were brought against Coopers & Lybrand and Coopers & Lybrand (Singapore) some com-mon question of law or fact would arise in each and that the relief claimed in the action against Coopers & Lybrand and Coopers & Lybrand (Singapore) arose out of

His Lordship was so satisfied. The action arose out of Mr Lecson's unauthorised trading on account 88888. It followed that Coopers & Lybrand (Singapore) were proper parties to Barings ple's claim against Coopers & Lybrand and the court had juris-diction under Order 11, rule [[1](c) to grant leave to serve the writ on Coopers & Lybrand (Singapore) in Singapore.

It was also submitted that on a proper analysis of the facts and the law there was no serious question to be tried because Coopers & Lybrand (Singapore) owed no relevant duty of care to Barings plc and that, if any duty was owed, it was secondary to the duty owed by Coopers & Lybrand (Singapore) to Baring Futures (Singapore) who

plaintiff, not Barings plc.

His Lordship said that the relevant relationship in the present case was that of an auditor of a subsidiary company to the parent company of the group. The auditors of a subsidiary had no statutory duty as such to the parent

The duties, if any, which Coo-

pers & Lybrand (Singapore) owed to Barings plc arose out of specific facts and matters. It was clear on the evidence set out in the documents that Coopers & Lybrand (Singapore) knew that certain information which they were instructed to supply was required by Barings plc in order that the directors could comply with the obligations imposed upon them by section 227 of the Companies Act 1985, to prepare consolidated accounts which showed a true and fair view of the financial affairs of

In those circumstances, his Lordship was satisfied that this was not a case in which it could be said that there was no serious newstion of law to be tried on the existence of a duty of care owed by Coopers & Lybrand (Singapore) to Barings plc.

If Barings plc established liabil-ity there would be complex issues

to be decided in relation to dam ages, but those were issues which were best decided at or after a trial. On the question of forum conveniens his Lordship was satisfied that composite proceedings in London offered the best chance of achieving the two objectives which were paramount and which all the parties professed a wish to

(i) avoiding the risk that different courts would reach different conclusions on the same under lying facts and (ii) avoiding the risk that either Deloitte & Touche or Coopers & Lybrand (Singapore) would be sued in both London and Singapore in respect of the same

Solicitors: Slaughter & May; Wilde Sapte; Herbert Smith.

# Delay in appointing arbitrator

Frota Oceanica Brasileira SA and Another v Steamship Mutual Underwriting Association (Bermuda) Lid (The Frotanorte)

Before Lord Justice Nourse, Lord Justice Hirst and Lord Justice

(Judgment July 30)

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. The discretion given to the court by section 10(t) of the Arbitration Act 1950 to appoint an arbitrator was and inexcusable delay by a party to an arbitration agreement in applying for an appointment to be made. in the absence of prejudice, was a proper ground for refusing to exercise the discretion in that party's favour.

The Court of Appeal so held dismissing an appeal by the plain-tiffs, Frota Oceanica Brasileira SA Instituto de Reseguros Brasil, from a decision of Mr Justice Longmore in the Commer cial Court of the Queen's Bench Division (1995) 2 Lloyd's Rep 254) hereby he held, inter alia, that he should not appoint an arbitrator to resolve the dispute between the plaintiffs and the defendant P & I club, Steamship Mutual Underwriting Association (Bermuda)

Mr Stephen Tomlinson, QC and Mr Adam Fenton for the plaintiffs; Mr Jeremy Cooke, QC and Mr David Kendrick for the defendant. LORD JUSTICE HIRST said that the proceedings stemmed from a collision between the

Frotanorte and another vessel, the Theopaes, off Puerto Rico in 1978. The judge declined to exercise his discretion to make an appointment under section 10(1) of the 1950 Act on the ground that the delay had been so inordinate and inexcusable that, even in the absence of prejudice, it would be wrong to allow the arbitration to proceed. He based his decision on delay between 1991 and 1994, against the background of earlier extended periods of delay.

Mr Tomlinson submitted that

itted, should extend to section O(I) the well established principles in cases of striking out for want of prosecution laid down by Allen Sir Alfred McAlpine & Sons Ltd [1968] 2 QB 229, CA) and Birkett v James (1978) AC 297, HL).

In Department of Transport Chris Smaller (Transport) Ltd (1989) I AC 1197), he said, the House of Lords had declined to abandon those principles and that by the same token, in the absence prejudice, refusal to make an appointment would be tantamount to punishing the plaintiffs in circumstances where, ex hypothesi, a fair trial could still be

The leading case on section 10 was Bjornstad v Ouse Shipping Ltd [[1924] 2 KB 673). Mr Cooke submitted that that case clearly demonstrated that the discretion as completely unferered.

There was nothing in the word-

ing of section 10(1) to suggest that the discretion was other than There was no obligation to read into it the requirment of proof of prejudice stipulated in the striking

out cases, which despite its reaffirmation in the Smaller case, had annacted strong judicial criti-The judge was correct in holding

that the absence of prejudice was not fatal to the exercise of the section 10 discretion against the plaintiffs. He had taken all relevant factors into account and there was no reason to interfere with his

Lord Justice Schlemann delivered a judgment concurring in the result.

LORD JUSTICE NOURSE, concurring with Lord Justice Hirst, said that it was a natural tendency for case law to develop general principles on which a particular discretion, in terms unfettered, ought to be exercise In some instances the principle

had been developed to such a state of sophistication that it had bequestionable whether the court was left with any discretion Such indeed had been the fate of

those which had now, for nearly two decades, been enshrined in Rickett v lames, a decision reaffirmed, despite the humble prolests of many members of the Court of Appeal, in Department of Transport v Chris Smaller (Trans nori) Lid.

Since then there had been the pleas of Sir Thomas Bingham. Master of the Rolls, and Lond Justice Millett in Sparrow v SovCA, June & 1994). Every discretion had to be exercised judicially and in accordance with any principles that had been developed in relation to

it. But that did not mean that one discretion had to be exercised in accordance with principles that had been developed in relation to another.

Moreover, where authority had left it more or less at large its exercise ought not to be narrowed without good reason. That was especially so where the discretion was to grant or refuse a remedy

In every such case there had to come a time when the court could properly refuse to grant it, not because its dignity had been affronted nor in order to punish the applicant, but simply because it was wrong to grant a remedy to someone who had for so long neglected his right to seek it. The power to refuse relief in

such circumstances was one w every court in the land would wish to preserve. Accordingly, it was unacceptable that inordinate and inexcusable delay was only ca-pable of defeating an application under section 10(1) if it had caused serious prejudice to the other

Solicitors: Elborne Mitchell;

#### Limit to benefit of plaintiff's cross-undertaking

Berkeley Administration Inc v McClelland and Others

A party who was joined as a defendant after an interlocutory injunction obtained by the plaintiff had been discharged was not entitled to the benefit of the crossundertaking in damages given by the plaintiff on the granting of the order, the Court of Appeal stated

on June 21. THE VICE-CHANCELLOR. Lord Justice Potter agreed, said that where the plaintiff obtained an interlocutory injunction the cross-undertaking in damages applied to all defendants although only one or more might be restrained: see Order 29, rule 1(13) of the Rules of the Supreme Court and Tucker v New Brunswick

Trading Co ((1890) 44 Ch D 249). One could deduce the proposition that advantage could be taken of the cross-undertaking by

every defendant who was a party when the cross-undertaking was granted but not by any party that injunction was discharged.

That left open the position of persons joined during the currency of the injunction. Although that did not apply in the present case, his Lordship was of the opinion that the benefit of the undertaking would extend to all defendants inited while the order was in force.

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But how should you choose your team? The essential rules are that you cannot have more than two individuals (two players or one player and the manager) from any one club in your team, you may not pick the same player twice and that you must not exceed your budget of £35 million. For example, if you select as your strikers the Liverpool pairing



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of Stan Collymore and Robbie Fowler, that will take up your Liverpool allocation. If, howone of your selected midfield players, say Paul Gascoigne, leaves Rangers to join Liverpool, you will then have three at the Antield club but you need not worry. ITF has an active transfer system, which is in operation from Saturday August 17 and you will be able to adjust your team accordingly. You must replace the outgoing player with one from the same category (a full back with a full back) and keep within your £35 million budget. Equally, if one of your players is transferred out of the Premiership or Scottish League premier division, he is no longer eligible for ITF. Any players from outside the Premiership or Scottish League premier division that are transferred to clubs playing in the top level

during the season will become

available for transfer. Note, too, that there are several additional players since ITF was launched last Monday.

You have six days in which to enter a team and you may enter as many times as you like. Postal entries will start scoring as soon as they are processed and telephone entries made by 12 noon will start scoring from matches played on that day onwards.

Your players and manager will win and lose you points. Points are awarded depending on every goal scored and conceded with three points earned for a goalkeeper or defender (full back and central defender) scoring a goal, two points for a midfield player or striker scoring, three points for a defender keeping a clean sheet (not letting in a goal), four points for a goalkeeper maintaining a clean sheet, one point for a midfield player eeping a clean sheet and all players receive one point for appearing in a match (providing they play for 45 minutes in that game). Any player scoring a hat-trick will receive six

minutes in that match. Points will be deducted for every goal a defender concedes (one), every goal a goalkeeper concedes (two), every booking a player receives (one), every time a player is sent off (three) and a point each for a penalty conceded by a player, a penalty missed and every own goal scored by a player.

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which you may enter: By post: fill in the entry form below (there is a step-bystep guide provided) showing the team in formation (photocopies are not acceptable) and send it with a cheque or postal order for £2 payable to The Times Interactive Team Football to Abacus House, Dudley Street, Luton, Bedfordshire, LUI IZZ to arrive by noon on Saturday, August 17. You will receive a letter of confirmation and notification of your Personal Identification Number (PIN) and team. The entry fee for registrations outside the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland is £5.

By telephone: using a Touch-tone (DTMF) telephone, call 0891 405 011 to record your team following the simple step-by-step instruc-tions. Calls will be charged at 39p per minute cheap rate, 49p per minute at other times. Each call will last about eight minutes but will cost approximately double from a pay phone. The registration line for readers entering from the Republic of Ireland is 004 4990 100 320. Each player you enter will be confirmed on the telephone after you have completed your selection and the

All ITF queries should be

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#### FORM YOUR OWN ITF MINI LEAGUE AND GET PERSONALISED UPDATES

This season you and your friends can compete directly against each other in your own ITF Mini-League all you need are four or more people (up to a maximum of 100) and a nominated chairperson.

A Mini-League is simple to set up and costs only £2.50 extra. A Mini-League may only be entered by post. Each player must enclose his or her ITF application form in the normal way (see entry instructions on these pages).

All payments and entry forms must be in the same envelope along with the attached

form and your additional £2.50, payable to The Times Interactive Team Football, Abacus House, Dudley Street, Luton. Bedfordshire, LUI IZZ, You cannot add members to your Mini-League after your initial entry.

The fee is £5 sterling for a Mini-League for entrants outside the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland. Further details are available from 01582 488122.

Each month, a letter will be sent to the chairperson showing the position of all entrants in their Mini-League.

#### MINI LEAGUE ENTRY FORM

I enclose all team entries in the same envelope along with an additional cheque/postal order for £2.50. Please set up my Mini-League.

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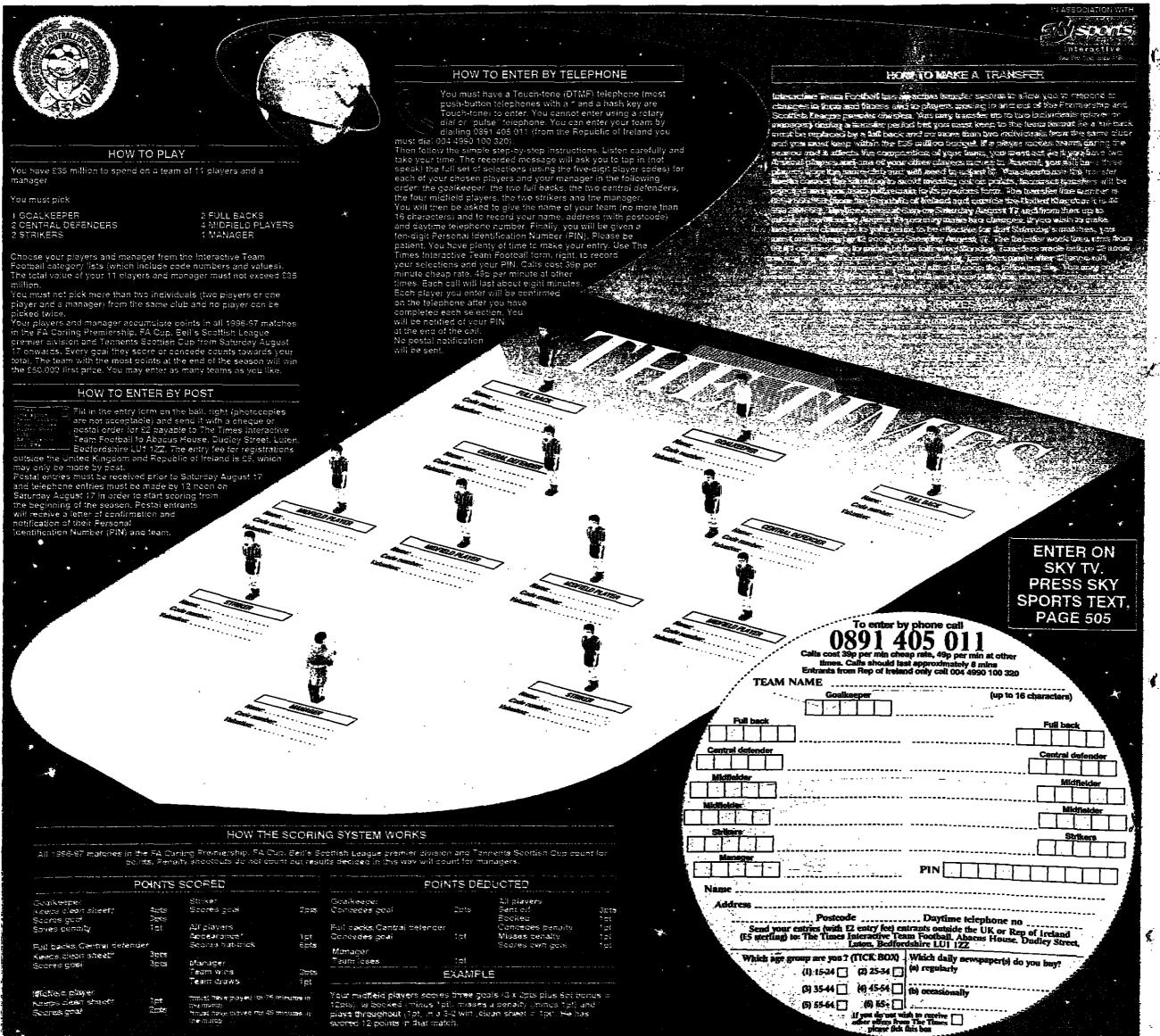
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# THE TIMES TODAY

TUESDAY AUGUST 13 1996 🥍

#### Doctor warns of octuplet danger

■ The consultant treating Mandy Allwood called for her to be left in peace, for fear that excessive public interest could harm her and her eight unborn babies.

Miss Allwood, who is 14 weeks pregnant, has been advised that she could earn up to £1 million if all eight survived and she has signed a contract with The News of the World, but Professor Kypros Nicolaides urged the newspaper to withdraw

#### The European monsoon swamps Kent

Europe's August monsoon showed no sign of relenting. A traveller returning from a soaking few days in Italy, Switzerland or Spain would have been greeted on his return across the Channel with the sight of flooded streets in Kent. Firefighters had to use boats to rescue people ....

#### Wall Street cramp

The New York Stock Exchange is considering a move from its headquarters on Manhattan's Wall Street because it is running out of .. Page I

#### Serbs guard general Bosnian Serbs refused to allow Nato forces access to a heavy weapons site in what is thought to be an attempt to prevent the

#### arrest of General Ratko Mladic. the army commander ...... Page 1 Marrying in haste

Couples will soon be able to marry in register offices in under four minutes. The 49-word vows at the legal heart of civil marriages have been cut to 30... ..Page I

#### Howard in the van

Michael Howard is preparing to introduce four substantial Bills in the autumn in a move that looks certain to enhance his stature on the Right.. ... Page 2

#### Thinking small

Some performers dream of making it big on the Edinburgh Fringe. This year two performers claiming to have the smallest shows on earth have been booked into the same venue. ...Page 3

#### **Easier A-levels**

Top A-level grades are easier to obtain in some subjects than they were 20 years ago, according to preliminary findings of a study by leading independent

#### **Ghostly gladiators**

Wind through the trees which surround the amphitheatre at Silchester whispers like an invisible crowd waiting for the gladiators: another instalment of Roman Britain ....

Alpaca farming hope Alpacas, smaller cousins of the carnel and the llama, have joined ostriches as the latest exotic livestock to tempt British farmers with a promise of profit....Page 8

#### **Heart of Scotland**

The embalmed heart of Robert the Bruce is to be dug up by archaeologists. - more than 650 years after it was laid to rest at Melrose Abbey ....

Quotas for sale British fishermen are still being

encouraged to sell licences worth up to £40,000 - to companies working as "fronts" for Spanish and Dutch trawlers that want to buy into the annual British quota.... .. Page 10

#### Lebed's gamble

Aleksandr Lebed, the Russian security chief, staked his political reputation on ending the civil war in Chechenia when he announced a new ceasefire .....

#### **Boost for Dole**

The Republican party convention opened with another boost for Bob Dole when Pat Buchanan abandoned his threat to form a breakaway party......Page 13

#### Primary colours in Dali's bedroom

■ The shrill-blue bedroom in Púbol Castle, near Gerona, in which Salvador Dali was nearly burnt to a crisp as he lay asleep 12 years ago, has been restored to its former freakish glory and is open to the public. In one corner there is a bright red fire-extinguisher. The painter with the curling moustache left the castle after his brush with death ...... Page 11



One of the winners of Britain's only Olympic gold. Steven Redgrave, is greeted by his daughters Sophie and Natalie at Gatwick yesterday

Lloyd's: A last-ditch assault by

rebel names threatens to send an "exocet missile" through the insurance market, according to a High Court judge, who granted the dissidents more time in which to prepare a legal challenge ...... Page 25 Economy: The Treasury hailed the latest fall in the prices of goods leaving British factory gates as the

best figures since 1967 and said that they justified the Chancellor's optimism about inflation...... Page 25 Lonrho: The group unveiled plans for a £700 million flotation of Princess Metropole Hotels ...... Page 25

Markets: The FT-SE 100 fell 7.4 to 3,803.3. Sterling was unchanged at 84.6 after rising .22 cents to \$1.5518 and falling .11 pfennigs to DM2-2897... ...Page 28

#### SPORT Football: Arsenal have parted company with their manager of a year, Bruce Rioch, five days before the start of the new Premiership

Cricket: Despite capturing two early wickets on the final day, England were unable to put Pakistan under serious pressure in the drawn

Headingley Test...... Pages 44, 48 Racing: Derby-winning jockey Walter Swinburn, seriously injured in a fall in Hong Kong six months ago, made a winning return at Windsor.....

Motor racing: Jacques Villeneuve admits the odds are against him in his attempt to prevent his teammate Damon Hill from winning the Formula One drivers' championship ... ..Page 42

#### ARTS

Festival launch: On the opening night of the Edinburgh Festival the Scottish National Orchestra offered Beethoven's Ninth, although the performance left something to be desired ... ...Page 33

Festival art: A superb and inspirational collection of Velazquez's early works provides Edinburgh with an artistic centrepiece.......Page 33

Jazz fest: Lilinois Jacquet and Joshua Redman are among the stars who brought jazz fans to their feet at this weekend's Brecon Jazz

French collection: Despite a reduction in purchase grants the British Museum plays host to an impressive collection of 19th-century French works from Delacroix to Cézanne. .... Page 35

#### TOMORROW

#### IN THE TIMES

■ INTERFACE In our new technology supplement: how computer experts are helping the disabled

#### **STYLE**

Cool to be a dad: why fashion-conscious men are happy to be seen with baby in tow

Man: Mostly dry, sunny intervals develop-ing. Wind north or northwest, light to

-FEATURES

Acquiring chums: Fleur Cowles knows everybody who is anybody - and has the photographs to

Cross-country dash: How do you get to weddings in Sussex and Scotland on the same day? Jonathan Prynn says it takes split-second .. Page 15 gniming Addictions, Day Two: Our series

explores the irresistible allure of shoes and the need to live out sexual fantasies and asks is addiction in .Page 14 our genes?.. Glorious achievement: As the guns

blaze on the grouse moors. Derwent May reports on the efforts of the Game Conservancy Trust to help our wildlife .... .. Page 20

#### LAW Surfing in court: The legal system

is slowly getting to grips with computers, the Internet and e-mail to speed up its work......Page 37 EDUCATION

Making the grade: On Thursday students will know their A-level results. The Times offers advice on university courses ...

#### THE PAPERS

Mr Dole plays fiscal daring, Mr. Clinton, a tempered conservatism. How true it is that politics at times is a game where the left is only concerned with governing to the

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#### TYLISTINGS

Preview: Exploring Serengeti, "the land of endless space" by plane. Dawn to Dusk Safari (BBCI, 8 pm). Review: For the first time Peter Barnard enjoys dancing.... Page 47

#### OPINION ... New life and questions

The knowledge of new life's preciousness has spurred scientists to make it available to all. That know-ledge should also guide society in ensuring the care that creation

#### Terrorists and Turks

It is dangerous for Turkey's Western allies to dictate who its friends should be or interfere in its rediscovery of its Islamic heritage. Those are decisions for the ballot

#### Songs with pasts

To lift hearts and to last, an anthem must evoke history, community and land without being too exact about any of them. Once an anthem has found this elusive mixture, leave it alone......Page 17

#### EGLIMNS ...

#### LIBBY PURVES

I honestly believe that obscuring the night sky from the majority of people in Britain will have - is having - a negative, depressing, dangerous effect ......

#### ANATOLE KALETSKY

Will the Bundesbank try one last time to sabotage European monetary union? This is the question on everybody's lips in the financial markets, and it may be the first item on the political agenda as British and European politicians return from holiday ...... Page 16 MICHAEL PORTILLO

The Conservative Party's campaign to win the next election has two vital components. The first is to emphasise the achievements of our years in government and our plans to carry forward our programme. The second is to make plain to people the risk to the nation's success that "new" Labour represents .....

#### THE TUANTS.

Wolfe Morris, actor, Gerry Gomez, West Indian cricketer; Kevin Moorhouse, test pilot ...... Page 19

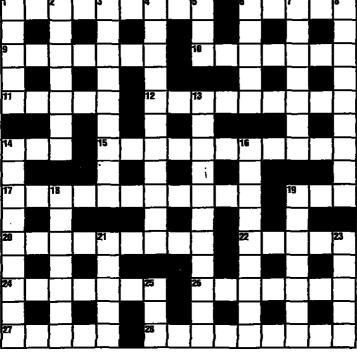
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- **ACROSS** I Fish from Scottish island caught
- by top-class lawyer (9). 6 Vehicle taking male journalist to cover military action (5). 9 Song about region out East - a
- largely barren state (7). 10 Apply oneself to making a daughter something to wear (7). 11 Stream ultimately leaving wood
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- 15 Not all the captain's men go different ways (4,7). theologian endlessly 17 Island participating in extremely satisfy-ing sport (5,6).
- 19 How, initially, one might pay for 20 For example, wrapping up plant, say, as a seasonal gift (6,3). 22 Record a girl left behind (5).

24 Flatter a grown-up without begin-

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- 26 Here in France, cape's needed for extreme cold (7). 27 Narrow hilltop, part which yields game bird (5).
- tend social event (9). Speak proudly of son involved in gig, perhaps (5).
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28 Command soldiers elected to at-

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- 5 Military commander in a southeastern state (3). 6 Gong brings daughter in to dinner, say (5). 7 Plucky performers may take them in hand (7).
- 8 Wiped out southern city in action 13 Songster making fun of Charlie Parker? (11).
- Poor condition of soldier held by underworld couple (9). Quota of Russian lighters moving to another country (9).
- 18 A Continental report that's not to be relied on (7). 19 Cannot even the workers eat here?
- 21 Remove Times leader in exasperation (5). 23 Man, for example, supporting new driver's yarn (5). 25 Self-confidence that makes one

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ing. Wind north or northwest, light to moderate. Max 21C (70F).

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**TUESDAY AUGUST 13 1996** 

# Judge warns rebel Lloyd's names of 'exocet' effect

A LAST-DITCH assault by rebel Lloyd's of London names threatens to send an "exocet" missile through the insurance market. according to a High Court judge, who yesterday granted the dissidents more time in which to prepare a legal challenge to the

Lloyd's recovery plan.

Members of the Paying Names Action Group (PNAG) saw their application for a judicial review adjourned until tomorrow. to assist in their efforts to raise at least ES00.000 in funds. The delay increases pressure on Lloyd's, which conceded that victory for the rebels would spell the death of the reconstruction and renewal (R&R) plan. More than 34,000 names have until

August 28 to decide whether to back Lloyd's the money were aware of the "explosive" £3.2 billion settlement offer. Payment of bills is due by the end of September.

Members of the 3,000-member PNAG are

seeking a judicial review of R&R on the grounds that it is unlawful. They "paid their way" through the difficult years, and consider themselves unfairly disadvantaged, compared with members who refused to pay their bills and are having their debts written-off under the recovery plan.

Lord Justice Brooke, sitting with Mr Justice Carnwath, gave warning that the case could have the effect of an "exocet" missile on the insurance market. He said he was unclear as to whether those putting up nature of the declaration they were seeking, but agreed to a two-day adjournment.

The PNAG has been ordered to pay Lloyd's legal bill for opposing yesterday's application on an indemnity basis - the highest scale on which the taxation of costs can be ordered. Peter Scott, QC, appearing for Lloyd's, had asked the court to punish the PNAG, saying there was "absolutely no justification" for seeking a judicial review then it did not have the funds to proceed.

Mr Scott said the PNAG "manoeuvres" were not simply driven by money problems but by a desire to put Lloyd's "in an extremely difficult position", and it was not

a bona fide application. He said time was running out and the rescue package would become an "impossibility" if the rebel names succeeded in their application.

The allegation of lack of good faith was denied by Thomas Keith, for the PNAG, who said it was the unusual speed at which the challenge was having to be mounted

that had caused problems.

The PNAG application will almost cer-tainly be dismissed if members are unable to proceed tomorrow. The judge said that any further slippage would jeopardise the rescue plan's timetable. He also gave warning of the potential damage to the

allowed to remain "live" any longer Judgment has been fixed for next Monday. Lloyd's expressed regret at the delay, but

welcomed the fixing of a firm judgment date. Tony Welford, the PNAG chairman, said that he was confident their bid would ☐ The third auction of syndicate capacity for the 1997 underwriting year saw £197 million of capacity auctioned at a total value

of £4.3 million, Lloyd's announced yesterday. This brings the total auctioned this year to £378 million, realising £8.9 million for 112 syndicates, after adjustment for approved syndicate mergers. The next in the series of eight auctions is due on August 19.

#### BUSINESS **TODAY**

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#### **Photocards** reduce RBS fraud bill

ROYAL Bank of Scotland has reduced its fraud bill by almost £1 million in the five years since the launch of the Highline card with a laser-etched signa-

ture and photograph.
RBS, which has issued more than 300,000 Highline cards and 130,000 additional credit photocards, said that when National & Provincial, the building society recently taken over by Abbey National, withdraws its photocard, RBS will be the only UK financial institution to use such cards.

Andrew Waldman, director of card services at RBS, said: We have been surprised by the lack of take-up by the industry."

# Lonrho to float hotels group

By Alasdair Murray

LONRHO, the mining, trading and hotels group, has unveiled plans for the £700 million flotation of its Princess Metropole Hotels subsidiary — the first step towards breaking up the

company.

Lonrho aims to have the flotation completed by early October and then hopes to complete the sale of its African trading interests by the end of the year, leaving Lonrho with just its core mining division.

Dieter Bock, chief executive. said the proceeds from the Princess Metropole float would enable the group to pay back a substantial proportion of its £800 million debt. The company's debts include £256 million that Lonhro spent on repurchasing the Libyan Arab Foreign Investment Company's 33 per cent stake in the



Bock: aiming to cut debt

Princess Metropole chain ear-

lier in the summer.

The flotation plans were well received in the City and Lonrho's share price, which has undergone a bumpy ride since the company first announced its break-up plans, rose 3p to close at 17fp.

Analysts said that Lonrho's

timing was good, with both the UK and US hotel markets enjoying strong growth. A number of other hotel groups. including Millennium & Copthorne and Jarvis Hotels. have made a successful debut on the stock market in the past few months, although analysts said it would be difficult to place an exact value on the Princess Metropole chain un-

til the company published details of debt allocation next

The 15-strong Princess Metropole group last year made operating profits of £42 million, up 71 per cent on 1994, on turnover of £255 million.

The group has two principal divisions with the UK-based Metropole chain concentrating on the business conference market. The Birmingham Metropole is one of the largest hotels in the country with 794 rooms and 59,000 sq ft of conference space.

Lonrho also recently announced a £90 million expansion plan for the London Metropole, which will result in the addition of 360 rooms and the doubling of conference facility space.

The Princess group operates in the luxury holiday market with ten hotels in Mexico, the Caribbean and America. It also owns a casino in

Princess Metropole will continue to operate Lonrho's African hotels and lodges, which generate slightly more than El million of revenue a year, after the company is floated-off. But Lonrho will maintain ownership of the hotels until the African trading division is split off. Mr Bock said the hotels did not naturally fit in a hotel group that was primarily targeted at the UK and US markets.

Peter Harper, a non-executive director of Lonrho, will become non-executive chairman while Martin Bolland. managing director of Metro-pole Hotels since 1985, will become chief executive. Mr Bolland said the hotel company, supported by a strong asset base, would be able to expand rapidly. But he added it would concentrate on organgrowth and had no interest

in bidding for hotel chains. Existing Lonrho investors will receive preference in the allocation of shares in the new group although they will have to pay the full market price. Mr Bock, who has an 18 per cent stake in Lonrho, said he would not exercise his right to purchase shares in the hotel group.

Pennington, page 27



advertising group led by Martin Sorrell, above, yesterday reported sharply higher first half profits, improved margins and a significant drop in debt (Sarah Cunningham writes). In the six months ending June 30, WPP's pre-tax profit was up 40.4 per cent to £68.1 million. Its like-for-like

cent to 10.2 per cent, while average net debt was down 22 per cent to £169 million compared with £217 million. WPP plans a 0.5556p dividend. up 25

per cent, payable on November 29. Revenues in the first six months were up an average 10 per cent. At Ogilvy & Mather they rose 11.1 per cent

cent. Hill and Knowlton, WPP's public relations subsidiary, moved into operating profit as its revenues rose 8.8 per cent.

Analysts said the figures were stronger than expected and boosted full-year profit forecasts to around £150 million. July revenues were up

Olympic Games and US presidential elections should help business in the second half. WPP is mulling the options of making acquisitions, reducing debt, increasing dividends or arranging share buybacks.

# Goeltz leaves NatWest for American Express

By Robert Miller

NATWEST yesterday suffered a significant blow with the defection of Richard Goeltz, the group's chief financial officer and a key figure in the bank's

restructuring programme.

Mr Goeltz, who returns to the United States to join American Express as vice-chairman and chief financial officer next month, was persuaded to leave Seagram, the drinks group, in 1992 and setup home with his wife in the United Kingdom, NatWest naid £242,170 towards the relocation costs.

Last year Mr Goeltz earned a total of £362,000, which included a performance-related bonus of £88,000 and a profit share of £19,000. His salary at American Express remains undisclosed, but is believed to be considerably higher than he earned at NatWest.

Mr Goeltz, 53, whose financial expertise was put to good use as a governor of the Sadler's Wells Foundation during his time in London, worked on a number of key deals involved in NatWest's restructuring. These included the £477 million acquisition of Gartmore, the fund management house, the \$590 million purchase of Greenwich Capital, the US bond dealer, and the \$3.5 billion disposal of Bancorp, NatWest US retail operation

NatWest said it was looking at a number of potential replacements for Mr Goeltz, although it is understood that the bank favours an external



Goeltz: key figure

# Factory gate price rises at lowest for 29 years

By Janet Bush, economics correspondent

THE Treasury yesterday hailed the latest fall in the prices of goods leaving British factory gates as the best figures since 1967 and said that they justified the Chancellor's optimism about low inflation in the months to come.

Producer output prices fell in July by 0.1 per cent. the third successive monthly fall. according to figures from the Office for National Statistics. Underlying output prices —

stripping out volatile food, drink and tobacco prices grew by only 1.5 per cent in the year to July, the lowest rate since November 1967. Taking the latest three months against the previous three, output prices rose by an annualised 0.6 per cent, the lowest rate since April 1973, when there

were statutory controls on

The Treasury said the figures were "exceedingly good". They come less than a week after the Bank of England called on the Chancellor to raise rates if he is to meet his target of underlying inflation of 25 per cent or less.

However, economists argued yesterday that the latest producer prices figures could give the Chancellor the opportunity to cut rates again.

Ian Shepherdson, chief UK economist at HSBC Markets, said that the rate of output price inflation could slip close to zero by next spring. He said that retailers could raise their margins as consumer spending strengthened, but underlying inflation could still fall at

the same time. Input prices the cost to industry of imports and raw materials - increased by 0.3 per cent but were still 22 per cent lower

than a year ago.
Separate figures from the
British Retail Consortium showed that retail sales were still healthy in July, but less buoyant than in June. Sales were up 5.4 per cent against a year ago compared with an increase of 7 per cent in June.

Andrew Sentance, chief economic adviser to the BRC, said that underlying sales remained healthy, but there should be no fear that consumer spending was rising too strongly. "Calls for higher rates to head off inflationary pressure are premature to say the least," he said.

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Mortgage index lift

for housing market FURTHER evidence of a revival in the housing market came yesterday from a report which showed that total mortgage

lending rose 5 per cent in July. The Barclays Mortgage Index,

which measures the activity of all mortgage providers.

revealed that the number of commitments to take out

mortgages is up 22 per cent on a year ago. The report said the figure was a good indicator of the level of activity in the

market which has yet to show up in actual sales. During the second quarter, those commitments rose 4 per cent.

and 10 per cent over the next two years. Jim Chadwick, Barclays Mortgages marketing director, said: "Rising house prices have lifted many homeowners out of the negative equity trap. As prices continue to rise, they should provide a

Barclays believes house prices could rise between 5 per cent

# Chief executives pull out at Cantab and Proteus International

CANTAB Pharmaceuticals and Proteus International announced the departures of their chief executives yesterday, less than two months after the two biotechnology companies raised millions of pounds from their shareholders.

Paul Haycock, who has headed Cantab for nearly five years, is to become a director of Apax Partners, the venture capital firm that is a leading investor in the UK's biotech

has recruited Jurek Sikorski. who has spent the past 18 previously troubled Proteus.

Apax first approached Dr Havcock about six months ago. Since May, Proteus has shareholders and Cantab has raised £25.7 million.

Dr Haycock said that the success of Cantab's share placing did not stand or fall on his continuing as chief executive.

Cantab's effort, all of our technology — not just me."

Mr Sikorski said that he was approached by Cantab after Proteus had completed the underwriting of its rights issue. He said that he was attracted by the opportunity of

Cantab, which is developing treatments for herpes and genital warts, is valued at close to £100 million, while the USM-quoted Proteus is capitalised at less than £40 mil-

the bigger job at Cantab.

sector. To replace him, Cantab based on the whole of lion. The share prices of both companies fell yesterday. Can-

while Proteus fell top to 60p.
It is intended that Dr Haycock, 49, will gradually take over from Hamish Hale, 70, who oversees Apax's health-

Dr Haycock will continue to advise Cantab on strategy for the next two years in a new part-time role as vice-chairman. Mr Sikorski, 44, will join Cantab in October. Proteus has still to find a replacement.

In the meantime David Gration, the chairman, will

Mr Sikorski has previously worked as a marketing director at Smith & Nephew, Wellcome Foundation, and Celltech. Cantab believes that marketing skills will be increasingly important as it tries to

commercialise its discoveries. Cantab announced first-half results, showing a loss of £3.7 million (£3.5 million loss). At this stage, Cantab's only

development partners. Cantab ended the half with £7.4 million in cash, though this has since been bolstered by the

Dr Haycock owns 131,000 options in Cantab. At an averaged exercise price of £2.22, these are currently worth about £540.000.

Dr Hale said that Dr Haycock was an ideal candidate to

**Emess offers** 

new deal on

preference

buyback

EMESS, the lighting group, yesterday tabled a new deal for preference shareholders

after accepting that its ordi-

nary shares are unlikely to

reach their 100p target by the

The company is due to buy

back the 62.5 million prefer-

ence shares for 100p each in

2003, or swap them for ordi-

nary shares at a 128p conver-

sion price. But Michael

Meyer, group chairman, said

these terms were restricting

dividend cover and the perfor-

which have yet to top 38.5p.

mance of ordinary shares,

Under the new plans, the

preference shares maintain

their 6.25p annual payout, but

the buyback deadline is can-celled and the conversion

Emess's ordinary shares

rose lp. to 34p. yesterday as it

returned strong interim re-

sults for the six months to

June 30. Contracts to supply

lighting for Manchester

United's stadium helped its

commercial lighting sector hold sales at £31.2 million. Its

consumer lighting operations

price falls to 55p per share.

end of 2003.

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#### greater stimulus to housing activity." Analysis from the index shows turnover in the housing market could rise 15 per cent this year, with a similar rise in 1997. Airline alliance plan

AMERICAN AIRLINES said yesterday it would look to Air France as a potential partner if a proposed alliance with British Airways fell through. American said it had been in talks with Air France right up until announcing the proposed BA link and was ready to reactivate talks if necessary. BA remained its preferred European partner. American denied reports that Bob Crandall, its chairman, was using the threat of an Air France link to put pressure on BA and the UK Government. Air France said it was in talks with several US carriers with a view to finding a partner. Letters, page 29

#### Houston buys in US

BID speculation on regional electricity companies was dampened yesterday after Houston Industries, long touted as a potential buyer of a UK company, made an agreed offer for a gas company in the US. Houston, the Texas company which mounted an abortive joint bid for Norweb last year, is to pay £3.8 billion for Noram Energy in a deal that is expected to be concluded early next year. The remaining independent regional companies - East Midlands, London, Northern, Southern and Yorkshire all saw their share price diminish on the news.

#### **Record interims at BPP**

BPP HOLDINGS, the professional education group, yesterday unveiled record interim results. Pre-tax profits in the six months to June 30 were £4.6 million, compared with £4.1 million a year earlier. Turnover rose to £35.3 million (£30.2 million), while earnings per share were 10.5p (9.4p). There will be an interim dividend of 4p(3.6p) to be paid on October 31. BPP was boosted by successful trading at Letts Educational, its publication subsidiary. Linguarama, its chain of language schools, showed a profit in every country in which it runs centres, except Russia, where it has recently started courses.

#### Bayer moves ahead

BAYER, the German chemicals group, yesterday reported a 13 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to DM2.7 billion in the first half of 1996, up from from DM2.4 billion in the first half of the previous year. Worldwide sales were up 7 per cent to DM24.8 billion from DM23.2 billion. The company said that the sales increase was mainly because of growth at its foreign subsidiaries, where sales were 10 per cent higher at DM16.1 billion. Domestic sales rose only 2.4 per cent to DM8.7 billion. The company said that it was on target to lift sales 6 per cent and pre-tax profits 10 per cent.

#### **Opec lifts output slightly**

MEMBERS of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries produced 25.59 million barrels per day of crude oil in July, compared with 25.56 million bpd in June, the Middle East Economic Survey said yesterday. The !! members' production exceeded by 557,000 bpd the ceiling imposed by the cartel in June, in spite of Gabon's exit from Opec with its quota of 287,000 bpd and Iraq's authorisation to produce 800,000 additional bpd. Iraq has still not benefited from the partial lifting of the United Nations embargo.

#### New jobcentres chief

THE next chief executive of the Employment Service will be Leigh Lewis. 45, currently the finance director. He was appointed from a shortlist that included external candidates after an open competition run by the Civil Service Commissioners. His appointment will take effect at the end of the year when Mike Fogden, the current chief executive, retires. The Employment Service, which manages the national network of jobcentres, is the second largest Executive Agency in the Civil Service, with about 35,000 staff.

#### Henderson's fine start

HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION, the fund management group, started the first quarter of its new financial year with a 31 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £5.3 million. In the three months to June 30, it made an operating profit of £4.3 million. 40 per cent up on the same period last year. Seligman Henderson and Henderson Real Estate Strategy both contributed profitability to the results, while funds under management rose 4 per cent to £14.9 billion with net new client funds of £302 million.

#### CRH expansion plans

CRH, the building materials group based in the Irish Republic, is spending IrESS million on acquisitions and investments. This includes a total of IrE26.1 million in the United States to expand production capacity at Precast Group, the company's US subsidiary, and acquisitions worth a total of IrE23.5 million in mainland Europe, notably The Netherlands. The company is spending IrE5.1 million in Britain with the acquisition of a further ten branches for Keyline Builders Merchants, a subsidiary.

# Profits slump at Kvaerner after takeover of Trafalgar

**BY OLIVER AUGUST** 

KVAERNER, the international engineering and construction group, has seen a dramatic decline in pre-tax profits since its agreed takeover of Trafalgar House in April.

In the six months to June 30 profits fell 56 per cent year-onyear, from Elől million to E71 million, the Norwegian company reported in its first financial results since the takeover.

But analysts in Oslo were upbeat over long-term prospects. One said: "This is a 1998 story. If you are wise you'll look through the 1996 figures and view two years from now where the underlying potential lies."

Analysts were angry that Kvaerner had offered few hard facts on the synergies resulting from the takeover and too little

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quantitative information. Forecasts before results were said to have been hindered by a lack of financial data on the diversified British group. Kvaerner's shares fell almost 4 per cent on the Oslo stock exchange to 233 NKr after the company's presentation. Erik Tonseth, Kvaerner's

president and chief executive, said there were sound reasons for optimism after the acquisition of Trafalgar. He said: "Comprehensive action has already been taken to realise the significant synergies that exist by the co-ordination of our business streams. Quite simply, we aim to be the global leader in engineering and construction."

Mr Tonseth said the operating results of the acquired businesses for the two months after the takeover had been in line with expectations. We expect the operating result, on the whole, to be better in the second half," he said.

The construction business. which Kvaerner acquired as part of the Trafalgar takeover, suffered a loss of £600,000 in the two-month period after the acquisition, mainly because of the very competitive UK market, the company said.

Kvaerner's pulping division suffered a pre-tax loss of £13 million in the first half, compared with a profit of £1.2 million a year ago. "It will continue to be a loss-making business for the rest of the year," Mr Tonseth said.

Earnings per share declined from 268p to 119p. Operating profits slumped more than 60 per cent to £58 million, while turnover rose E744 million to

#### Light fantastic: Michael Meyer, chairman of Emess, which enjoyed a strong first-half performance Sainsbury confirms talks to buy in US

J SAINSBURY yesterday con-Royal Ahold, the Dutch retail group, about buying 12 supermarkets and two sites in the

Sainsbury is expected to convert the stores owned by Aholds, that are part of the Edwards chain, into Shaws supermarkets. The 100-strong Shaws chain is making good returns for Sainsbury. The UK supermarket group took full control of Shaws in 1987.

Sainsbury is expected to pay up to £50 million for the Aholds owned stores, although it would not confirm that figure. The stores are understood to

be in Connecticut. Rhode Is-

and Massachusetts,

states in which Shaws is already operating. Ahold has been forced by the Federal Trade Commission to find buyers for 26 Edwards supermarkets, two future Edwards sites and three Stop & Shop sites after its recent purchase of the Stop & Shop chain for around £1.15

In a separate move, Sainsbury last week spent £39.7 million on increasing its stake in Giant Food, another US supermarket chain. This has increased speculation that Sainsbury is to launch a full bid, which would have to be worth more than EI billion. Sainsbury's confirmation of the talks with Ahold helped push its shares 4p higher to close at 399p.

## **BAA** passenger traffic suffered after strike threat

BRITISH AIRPORTS lost more than 75,000 passengers through the threat of a pilots' strike in July alone, according to monthly traffic figures from BAA, the airports operator.

The group, which runs seven of the country's largest airports, said that although industrial action was never actually carried out, the prospect of cancelled flights had prompted travellers to change their plans.

As a result, it said, July's passenger traffic grew only 1.3 per cent to 9.66 million against last July's growth rate of 4.9 per cent. to 9.53

Heathrow was hardest hit, attracting 5.29 million passengers, 15,900 fewer than last July. The drop was made in spite of a 1.8 per cent rise in its air traffic, which rose to 37,300 flights.

Passenger levels at London Stansted airport grew 17 per cent to 503,000. The airport's cargo traffic was 30 per cent ahead at 8,790 tonnes.

In Scotland, Edinburgh airport continued to narrow the gap with Glasgow airport. lifting its passenger turnover 12 per cent to 379,000. Glasgow's passenger levels fell 7 per cent to 610,000 after a reduction in its number of

chartered flights. July and August are normally the busiest months of the year. BAA said that without the strike threat, underlying passenger turnover levels would have grown 3 per cent.

BAA's shares rose Ip to 489p



Heathrow was the hardest hit airport

#### returned sales 14 per cent ahead, at £51.9 million. Group turnover rose by 7 per cent, to £83.1 million. The company said the com-mercial and consumer lighting markets were counter-cyclical, and its presence in both sectors allowed it to weather the trends. Pre-tax profits rose slightly, to £2.4 million (£2.1 million), nudging earnings up 0.lp, to l.0p per share. There is no interim dividend.

Fewer complaints from electricity firms brings watchdog review

# Offer regional officers under scrutiny

BY CHRISTINE BUCKLEY, INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

A DROP in complaints from electricity companies has forced a staffing review that could lead to the cutting of regional officers of Offer, the electricity

But ironically the next job that could be removed is that of the regional manager, whose office covers the company which Offer said gave the greatest cause for concern over its failure to meet guaranteed standards.

A letter from Peter Carter, deputy Director-General of Electricity Supply. to all regional managers said he was considering making the the Cardiff regional manager post redundant. at the loss to an Line of

services last week Offer highlighted the performance of Swalec, the Welsh electricity company that is now part of the Hyder multi-utility, as the worst for meeting guaranteed standards. Its failures in the year to the end of March jumped 65 per cent to 601.

Mr Carter is looking at merging the management of the Cardiff office, currently handled by Philip Greenhough, with that of Bristol under the control of Ian Fitzpatrick, the present regional manager for the south west. A spokeswoman for Offer said no decision had been made on whether to scrap the Cardiff manager's post and

Offer may also be poised to merge the management of the offices in Birmingham - where the regulator is based — and Nottingham. It has already merged the roles of the regional managers of Merseyside and North Wales. Mr Carter said Offer was looking at redeploying resources to areas whose importance and demands had increased.

But he added: "I should reemphasise that I am confident that the regional offices have an essential role to play in the continuing work of Offer, not least as we approach 1998 and the new challenges that will bring.

domestic electricity when it is likely the number of complaints will jump, out of confusion from households if nothing else. When competition was introduced into domestic gas in the south west this spring the regional office of the Gas Consumers Council was deluged with complaints. Households jammed switchboards because of aggressive marketing by Sweb, the regional electricity company, because they could not understand what was happening and because of teething problems in the transference mechanisms employed by British Gas which led to an outbreak of freak end-of-account

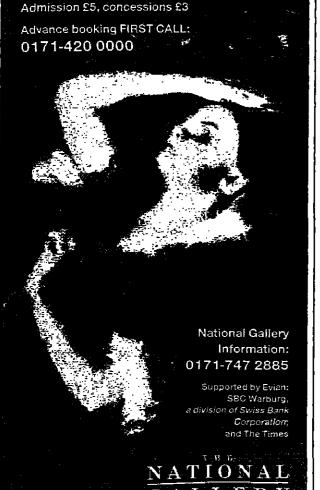
#### Society looks at setting up foundation

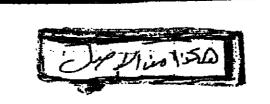
THE Birmingham Midshires Building Society said yesterday that its wish to remain independent had not faltered in spite of plans that might lead to the establishment of a charitable foundation (Anne Ashworth writes).

Birmingham Midshires is

viewed as a merger or takeover target, but it has denied the cessant rumours, pledging its commitment to mutuality.
A spokesman for the society said: "We are currently dis-

cussing whether we will have a charitable foundation or pass a percentage of profits to local charities. But we do not have shares that we could





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Yet Lonrho's London Metropole, one of the biggest conference centres in the capital, is having to turn away one customer in four at present. The decision to float the Metropole chain, along with Princess hotels, had leisure analysts salivating. The only question that remains is just how great a burden of debt the business will eventually have to bear.

Shares in Millennium & Copthorne, the last hotel group to arrive on the stock market, raced to a 20 per cent premium when dealings started in April. Hotels are booming; the lack of available rooms and the constraints, planning and otherwise, on bringing more on stream seems to have broken the cyclical swings between shortage and glut that have always ruled the market. Kleinwort Benson's hotels team expects the supply of net new rooms built by the end of the century to increase by 3 per cent at best. Demand, by contrast, should grow by twice that, The Princess Metropole hotels

alliance plan

All the same

Bock checks out of the Metropole are coming to the market via a book-building exercise that will require investors to bid what they think the shares are worth. This can be risky, in that unstable market conditions can

undermine the ilotation right up to the last moment, but it will ensure maximum proceeds if institutions like the business. To these can be added the debt that the hotels will carry. A flotation price of £750 million would wipe out Lonrho's existing borrowings; whatever debt figure is arrived at might produce a cash surplus within the core business. How this will be divided up is anyone's guess. The hotels float will then allow a similar exercise for Lonrho's African operations.

These are a bit of a rag-bag of trading, property and farming interests, but they are apparently the true passion of Dieter Bock, who ousted his mentor and father-figure at Lonrho, Tiny Rowland. The mining business will be left to become a satellite of the huge Anglo-American combine which has 11 per cent and options to take

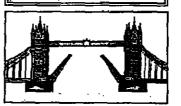
itself to 28 per cent. This will complete the dismemberment of Tiny's empire and return value to shareholders undreamt of during his reign.

Just one curiosity: the African hotels are being kept, rather than floated along with the rest of Princess Metropole, although they will continue to be managed by the latter. This is because they are regarded as considerably more chancy investments. One wonders what Tiny, who once bestrode the continent like a colossus, makes of that view.

#### A clash of Titans

☐ YOU cut off one head and it grows another dozen. The labours of Hercules might seem a light afternoon's work to those charged with shutting down Ti-tan, the unlawful pyramid selling scheme, and its successors. The difficulty that the Department of Trade and Industry has had in banishing a shabby but tenacious get-rich-quick scheme firmly ruled undesirable by the courts the armoury available to combat

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The first Titan scheme was banned by the High Court in June. Vice-Chancellor Sir Richard Scott ruled the scheme, which required "investors" to put their money into Titan funds and then be repaid as they signed up further members, "highly un-satisfactory, highly suspicious and thoroughly undesirable".

The danger of such pyramid schemes is that the supply of new members must inevitably dry up, leaving those last signed up with no means of being paid back for their "investment" even if those who preceded them are in the money. The case went to the Court of Appeal, where Lord Woolf, the Master of the Rolls, had no hesitation in declaring it an illegal lottery. He also gave a similar ploys designed to be the successors to the original banned

The first of such, Titan International LLC to its operators and Titan 2 to anyone else, was launched. Many members of Titan I had failed to recoup their money before the scheme was closed down and were automatically made members of Titan 2. The DTI naturally wanted Titan 2 shut down, and applied for the necessary injunctions.

Herein lies the problem. It

requires court action to rule on what is self-evident, that Titan 2 is indeed a clone of the first scheme. That takes time. The injunctions are in place, pending a Court of Appeal judgment on whether the new scheme should be wound up. Titan 2 members are forbidden from pulling in new "investors". But there is nothing to stop the scheme's operators from creating Titan 3 and going through the same legal rigmarole, during which period new members can be acquired whose funds can be channelled into the first two Titans. And so on ad infinitum,

like a series of reflecting mirrors - until the scheme's originators grow tired of the legal battle and retreat to another jurisdiction.

#### Mad investor disease

LI EVENTS at Aberdeen Steak Houses have an eerie familiarity. Ali Salih, the chairman, survived yesterday's attempt to block his quadrupled salary, as he was always going to with his 80 per cent control of the shares. Meanwhile, the company is blaming fears of mad cow disease for

difficult trading.
Plus ca change. The history of
Aberdeen as a quoted company,
which started with the refusal of a former company secretary to put his name to the prospectus. has been a catalogue of bad luck and dashed hopes. The Gulf War, the World Cup, rail strikes, the weather, you name it, all have been roped in as excuses, but the most common has always been mad cow disease. Mr Salih has faced a grilling

before from angry small shareholders, protesting about his

decision to jack up his salary by half as much again while the company made losses. And running through this, like the mar-bling through a fine beef steak, are hopes that the management might one day take the company private. This, and ill-defined bid rumours, has been about all that has kept the shares alloat

Aberdeen is losing its stock market quote at the end of this year when the Unlisted Securities Market implodes. The company has no hope of a full listing. Other alternatives, such as a quote on Ofex, the matched bargain market, would marginalise those angry small investors even further. Some companies are better off in private hands. The time is fast approaching when Mr Salih may have to put up the cash to meet the hopes of outside investors.

#### Heading west

☐ FOLLOWERS of the fat cat debate should note the departure of Richard Goeltz from NatWest Mr Goeltz had been central to several deals at NatWest with an American dimension, so it could be said much of his work was done. But he has only one obvious reason for crossing the Atlantic again — a salary and perks package that corporate Britain could simply not match without causing an outcry.

#### **DirecTV** to link with **NetHold**

A new force in digital satellite broadcasting is set to emerge through a partnership between DirecTV of America and NetHold of The Netherlands. DirecTV is expected to announce by the end of this month that it is buying a significant stake in NetHold for as much as \$1 billion. Neither company would comment.

DirecTV, owned by General Motors, is the leading digital TV broadcaster in the US. NetHold is owned by Richemont, the Swiss company whose brands include Rothmans and Car-tier, and MIH, the South African pay-TV group.

Satellite wars, page 29

#### BDM in talks

Shares of British Data Management, the archive storage company, rose 14p. to 184p, yesterday after it said it was in talks that may lead to a recommended takeover bid. In an announcement to the Stock Exchange, it said that if an offer was made, it would be at a "modest premium" to its then share price of 179p. which would value the company at about E46 miltion. The group more than trebled its interim pre-tax profits to £1.56 million in the last half year.

#### Letting lift

London Industrial, the property company that lets space to small businesses, said trading was 33 per cent ahead for the three months to June 30, as it lifted pre-tax profits from £895,000 to £1.19 million over the period. The acquisition of Kingsland Viaduct Estate helped to lift its rent roll to £13.3 million. Earnings rose from 4.6p to 6p per share over the quarter.

#### Telecoms deal

MFS, the American telecoms company, and UUNET, the world's first and largest commercial Internet service provider, yesterday won shareholder approval for their \$2 billion merger. Each UUNET share has been converted into and represents the right to receive 1.777 MFS shares, MFS announced.

# Smith & Nephew buoyant despite pricing pressures

By ERIC REGULY

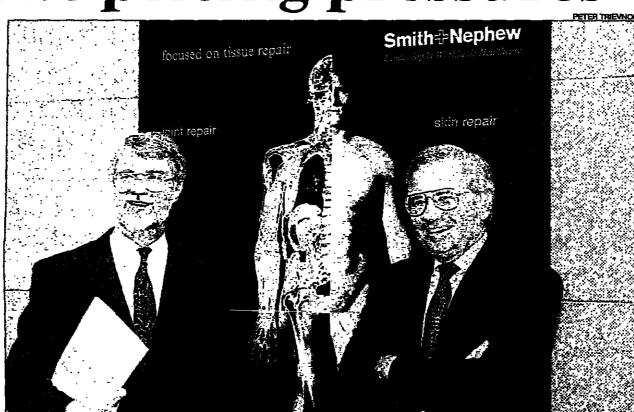
SMITH & NEPHEW, the healthcare and medicals products company, reported stronger profits yesterday but said it laced difficulties in the highly competitive American

John Robinson, chief executive, said that hospitals and health-maintenance organ-isations, its main US clients, were going through a consolidation phase and were demanding price reductions. As a result, prices in the US. which accounts for 40 per cent of the company's turnover and operating profits, fell 3 per cent on average in the year to

Smith & Newphew, howprofit margins through cost controls and a 4 per cent rise in sales. Mr Robinson said: "We expect two more years of

tough conditions in the US." The situation will be less grim if Dermagraft, the bioengineered skin it has developed with Advanced Tissue Sciences, the Californian company, proves to be a hit. Dermagraft is in phase 3 trials and is scheduled to be launched into the \$2.5 billion market for the treatment of chronic diabetic foot ulcers in late 1997. Some analysts think that Dermagraft sales could reach \$500 million a year. Dermagraft could have a significant impact on the com-

pany," Mr Robinson said. Smith & Newphew reported a 6 per cent rise in pre-tax profits, to £90.8 million, in the



Christopher O'Donnell, left, deputy chief executive, and John Robinson hope Dermagraft will be a success

half-year period on turnover that grew 7 per cent to £540 million. Earnings per share were 5.68p against 3.84p. The results were in line with City forecasts and analysts at Greig Middleton and Williams de Broe said they were leaving their full-year pre-tax profit estimate unchanged at £190 million. The strongest

performance was recorded in Asia, where sales rose 30 per cent. In continental Europe. they were up by an underlying 9 per cent, against a 5 per cent rise in the previous period. Sales in the UK rose by only 4 per cent, compared with 13 per cent last year, as wholesalers ran down their inventories.

Smith & Nephew was still hunting for acquisitions and expected to find opportunities in the US where the consolidation trend has put many medical-device supply busi-nesses on the market. He said the company could afford to spend £500 million in cash and would be prepared to Mr Robinson said that issue new shares to fund a

more expensive purchase. Acquisitions in all the company's product areas will be considered, he said, especially in orthopaedic implants. An interim dividend

2.29p, up 6 per cent, is to be paid on December 11. The shares lost 12 p to 195p.

# **BAT** shares hit by anti-smoking ruling in US

By Alasdair Murray

SHARES in BAT Industries, the tobacco and financial services company, fell sharply on the Stock Exchange yesterday - the first day of trading since the company lost an important smoking-related court case in Florida.

BAT shares fell 45p, to 464p, wiping £1.4 billion off the company's market value.

The company responded quickly with a damage limitation exercise, saying that it would launch an appeal in the Florida State Court and was "quietly confident of At the weekend, a Florida

state court awarded damages of \$750,000 against Brown and Williamson, BAT's US tobacco subsidiary, after deciding that a lung-cancer victim had been misled into believing tobacco smoking was safe.

The case also hit tobacco stocks in America, with shares in Philip Morris falling \$8.375, to \$93.625, and RJR Nabisco 62.5 cents, to \$28. BAT American depositary receipts also suffered. dropping 62.5 cents to \$15.

Analysts were divided about the long-term impact of the case, pointing to a similar award made by a jury in 1988, which was later overturned.

Even if BAT loses its appeal, this particular case does not set a legal precedent, although it could

#### gants to bring cases and increase BAT's £50 million-ayear legal fees. The setback has also revived speculation that BAT would consider demerging its tobacco and linancial services arm. But BAT ruled out such a move yesterday, saying that it could only see short-term gains in demerger. The com-

pany has already ring-fenced

its financical services arm

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#### Gulfstream valued at \$2.2bn

By Jon Ashworth

GULFSTREAM Aerospace Corporation, the corporate jet manufacturer, is seeking to sell 28 million shares through an initial public offering (IPO) in New York, valuing the company at about \$2.2 billion.

Forstmann Little & Co. the Wall Street investment firm that bought Gulfstream in 1990, will raise about \$400 million through the IPO, while retaining majority

The firm bought the company from Chrysler for \$850 million, and subsequently injected fresh capital and brought in new management in an attempt to improve Gulfstream's fortunes.

Today, the company, based in Savannah, Georgia, has orders and letters of intent for more than \$3 billion in aircraft, including 63 contracts for the Gulfstream V, a new \$35 million long-haul corpo-rate jet. Gulfstream's management and operations will be unchanged.

Goldman Sachs, Merrill Lynch and Morgan Stanley will act as underwriters to the issue.

# Overdue debt sets record

BY PAUL DURMAN

BRITISH firms are suffering a higher level of overdue debt than ever before, according to a survey from Trade Indemnity, the credit

During the second quarter, the average amount overdue for more than 30 days was £176,000. This is an increase on the previous record of £170,000 a year ago, and up from £164,000 in the first quarter of this

The figures are based on

responses from 842 companies, with turnovers ranging from less than £1 million to more than £50 million.

Trade Indemnity said industries facing the biggest late payment problems are builders' merchants, business services and food manufacturers. Exporters report that France has become the most difficult destination from which to secure payment, taking over

Most companies reported modest increases in their business, though steel stockholders and paper and printing firms suffered setbacks.

Trade Indemnity's overall score for production activity fell from 0.22 in the first quarter to 0.2. William Simpson, chief economist, said this was the equivalent of GDP growth of between 1.5 and 2 per cent - positive but unexciting. He believes domestic demand is still sufficiently sluggish to depress profitabil ity, and sees little risk of a

revival of inflation.

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threatened with closure have been given a fortnight to decide whether to try to save it.

National Union of Mineworkers officials asked for at least one month to prepare a feasibility study for a workers' buyout of Point of Ayr colliery near Prestatyn, which has been offered for sale by RJB Mining for £1.2 million. Point of Ayr is the last deep coal mine in north Wales.

But after meeting the 200strong workforce, company

Miners given pit deadline FROM A CORRESPONDENT

MINERS at a Welsh pit that is chiefs said coal production was only planned to continue until the end of next week. Bill Rowell, RJB's managing

director for deep mines, said he believed the men would know if the project was viable "within very much less than four weeks". He added: "I would certainly not want to pull the rug from under them at a very advanced stage. If they can put a deal together we shall be as heipful as we can be."

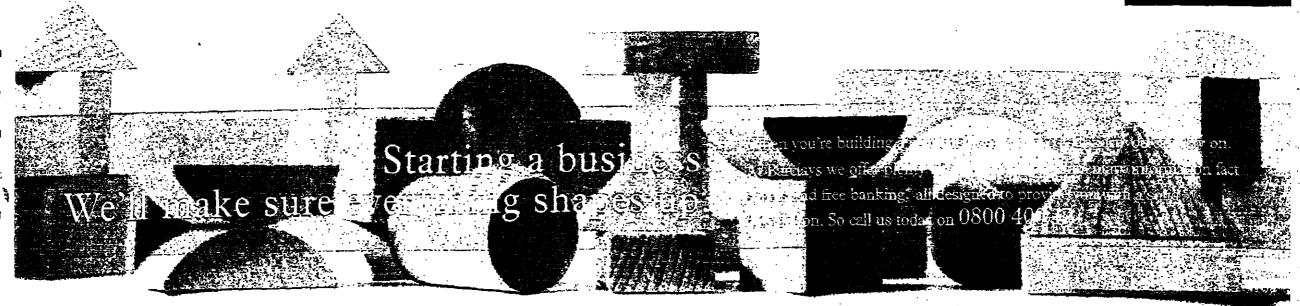
Mining engineers yesterday began a survey of reserves at

the 130-year-old pit, which RJB says has lost £5 million since its sale by British Coal 19

months ago.
Today NUM representatives are expected to meet officials of Clay Collieries, an open-cast mining company that has also expressed an interest in a takeover.

It is possible that Clay, which operates a small number of mines in north Wales, could become a joint venture partner with Point of Avr employees.

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KAREN ZAGOR

# BAT shares hit year low in wake of US court ruling

IT WAS a bad day for BAT Industries, the tobacco and insurance giant, which hit a year low yesterday in the wake of a Florida court ruling against the company's US tobacco arm. The shares ended the day at 464p, down 45p from Friday.

The Florida decision, which found in favour of a smoker in a tobacco liability case against BAT's Brown & Williamson arm, had sent shockwaves through the US tobacco sector on Friday amid fears that the ruling could lead to a flurry of similar claims. The sharp drop in Philip Morris shares on Friday contributed to a 32.18-point loss for the Dow Jones industrial average. But the news came too late for UK markets to respond, BAT has said it would appeal against the court decision.

Both BAT and the FT-SE 100 held up reasonably well when compared with the US. Wall Street opened lower on Monday as the sell-off in tobacco stocks continued.

BAT's loss included the impact of going ex-dividend, which eroded prices by about 10p. The company was one of many to go ex-dividend this week, taking a further bite out of the FT-SE 100, which ended the day 7.8 lower at 3803.3. The ex-dividend factor shaved about II points off the FT-SE 100. Volume remained thin.

Market sentiment was helped by the release of lower than expected factory gate prices, which bolstered hopes of lower interest rates. Traders will now be waiting for Thursday's retail prices index, which will provide further evidence about inflation.

If the RPI numbers are good, Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, may have enough ammunition to push through a rate cut in the autumn regardless of the Bank of England's advice. Equities were also helped by gains in the gilts market.

Pearson led blue chips higher, climbing 13p to 660p amid continued speculation that it will soon announce a bid offer. The shares have firmed in recent days thanks partly to the successful sale of the Westminster Press business and partly to the company's interim results last week.

WPP Group, the advertising firm, gained 7p to 221p after posting better than expected results that prompted Panmure Gordon to lift fullyear pre-tax profits forecasts



Peter Harper, left, with Martin Bolland, chief executive of Lonrho's Princess Metropole Hotels subsidiary

to E150 million from E145 million. The announced dividend was also higher than expected. During the first half, US earnings growth was par-

ticularly strong at 18 per cent.

J Sainsbury was another noteable gainer on the day. News that customer loyalty cards had succeeded in improving the group's market share, reversing a recent trend

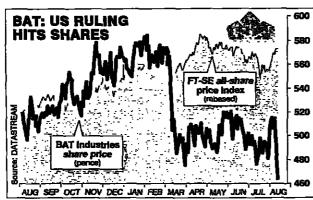
8p to 542p, and Argos, up 9p at 745p. BSkyB continued to move higher in anticipation of the company's results next week and positive analysts' reports. Shares ended up 2p at 509p. Lonhro was another winner. Shares rose on the announcement of the flotation of its Princess Metropole Hotels, of which Peter Harper is chairman, although the gains

Manchester United scored in the stock market after its Charity Shield victory on Sunday. The shares closed 12p higher at 454p. One dealer said: "Manchester United is the most profitable club in the country, and if they keep winning then they'll keep making profits."

of market share loses, helped the issue add 4p to 399p. Safeway, a rival supermarket chain, held steady at 342p while Tesco eased ip to 298p. Somerfield, which had a stunning first-day performance last Friday, gave up 2p to close at 157p.

The improved outlook for interest rates helped a number of retailers including Next, up were modest. At 171p, the shares closed 3p higher.

Last week bid speculation pushed utility share prices higher. Yesterday, utilities retraced their gains on news that Houston Industries, of the US, had made a \$2.4 billion acquisition of NorAm, a natural gas resource company, quashing hopes that the Houston Industries would bid for a UK Rec.



Northern Electric dropped lóp to 537p. Yorkshire Elec-tricity eased 12p to 727p, and East Midlands fell 12p to 605p. Water company shares benefited from the Rec-related selling. Yorkshire Water closed 13p higher at 65lp. Thames Water gained 4p to 566p. Anglian Water advanced 3p to 578p. Severn Trent rose 5p to 599p, and Wessex Water held steady at 350p. All five shares have gone

Reports that National Grid may be subject to a tough price review by Stephen Littlechild, the regulator, initially sent shares in the company lower. but by the end of the day they had recovered, adding lp to

175p. Smith & Nephew, the healthcare company, was another early loser to regain its footing. Shares lost ground after it said that its North American markets could remain difficult for some time. The company's interim figures met expectations and the shares closed down 0.5p at

In the pharmaceutical sector, Cantab Pharmacueticals fell 15p to 633p after reporting interim losses. British Biotech, which had been clawing its way back from its recent losses, yesterday gave up 10p to close at 215p after Credit Lyonnais Laing issued a "sell" rating last week

Chemical Design Holdings saw solid gains on its first day on the Alternative Investment Market dealing. The shares were placed at 110p and closed at 133p. The company, designs software for the pharmaceuti-cal and biotech sector. ☐ GILT-EDGED: Low vol-

ume and a narrow trading range characterised vesterday's market. Gilts rose a few ticks in morning trading on the back of weak economic figures, but by the afternoon international markets had started to sag, and UK Treasuries lost their gains. In the futures pit, the September series of the long gilt rose 132to 10715 to on volume of only 22,000. The Treasury 8 per cent 2015 advanced 132 to 9918. At the short end of the yield curve, the Treasury 8 per cent 2000 added 116 to 103716.

☐ NEW YORK: Slumping tobacco shares and utility mergers dominated an otherwise quiet session. At midday, the Dow Jones industrial average was down 23.30 points to 5,658.01. LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

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**DOLLAR RATES** 

#### **TEMPUS**

# Rise and rise of WPP

first half of this year and

there is not sign of a turn-

WPP continues to make startling progress. yesterday reporting first-half pre-tax profit up 40 per cent, to £68.1 million, and like-for-like

margins up 1.2 per cent, to 10.2 per cent. Even better, the combination of the Olympic Games and the US presidential election is expected to create a very good second half. particularly in the United States where the company has been building up its client base and revenues.

WPP has seen American revenue grow 14 per cent in the first six months. The US market now accounts for 43 per cent of total revenues and new US customers include Twentieth Century Fox. Kodak and IBM Personal Systems. The group has also been whittling down the staff-cost to revenue ratio. At Ogilvy & Mather and J Walter Thompson combined, this ratio has fallen from 58.9 per cent to 58 per cent, and Martin Sorrell, chief executive, says that it remains under attack. WPP's net debt has been cut to £169 million.

from £217 million a year ago, and £372 million three years ago. But the group gave no further indications yesterday about what it will do with its surplus liquidity beyond saying that it is considering every possibility — debt-reduction, acquisitions, capital expenditure increased dividends and share buybacks.

Mr Sorrell survived a shareholders' revolt last year against a performance-linked incentive scheme that could pay him up to £28 million. The company's strong performance means he is increasingly likely to get this sum. It would be understandable if shareholders now feel that any surpluses should be spent not on acquisitions but on ensuring that they. too, are amply rewarded.

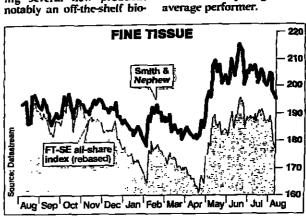
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assault on the American healthcare market is turning into a bigger slog than its generals had anticipated. The market is the world's largest, and Smith & Nephew deserves kudos for building a presence in what has turned into a graveyard for many European companies.

Unfortunately, that market is also the world's most competitive and product prices have been coming down.

The company's main customers are hospitals health-maintenance organisations, both of which are consolidating and demanding discounts from suppliers. Prices for products such as wound dressings, casts and orthopaedic implants, as a result, fell 3 per cent in the round in the short term. Smith & Nephew predicts that prices will be under pressure for another two vears; some analysts think the tough times could last even longer. The company also faces the cost of launching several new products, FINE TISSUE

engineered skin called Dermagraft. Investors should not necessarily abandon the stock. Indeed, bid speculation, as it did this year, could send the shares soaring at any time. But until the American market loses its mean streak, it is unlikely that Smith & Nephew will be anything but an average performer.



#### **Proteus**

BIOTECHNOLOGY is a fast-moving sector. So per-haps we should not be surprised that just weeks after tapping their shareholders for millions of pounds, the chief executives of Cantab Pharmaceuticals and Proteus International are leaving to take up new jobs. The news still leaves an odd taste in the mouth. Attempts to woo Proteus's Jurek Sikorski to Cantab began in May, while the two companies were still marketing their share issues. Of course, neither company felt it necessary to burden investors with a minor detail like the imminent departure

of their chief executives The real value in biotech stocks lies in the anonymous scientists beavering away in the laboratory. Nonetheless, Mr Sikorski and Cantab's Paul Haycock have done well to turn round companies that seemed to be going nowhere 18 months ago.

Dr Haycock's move to

Apax Partners, the venture capitalist, may initially seem strange. With its key virus technology entering clinical trials and fresh from an important deal with SmithKline Beecham on genital warts. Cantab still has tremendous potential. However. Apax has its fingers in many biotech pies, and Dr Haycock will be able to use his expertise on a much wider front.

Proteus, as ever, remains a worry. No sooner has it resolved its money problems and secured a vote of confidence in its cancer treatment than it loses the architect of its revival. Handle with extreme care.

#### **BAT Industries**

THE plunge in BAT's share price after a set-back in the US courts at the weekend will be wearingly familiar to investors in the company. Every time that any of the

leading tobacco companies suffer a reverse in the

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labyrinthine US legal system, the market makes a knee-jerk write-down in the share prices. This is normally followed by a period of recovery as the full legal consequences of the case become clearer.

believe that the latest case will result in a different

A jury in Florida has awarded damages to a former smoker who suffers from lung cancer. But BAT believes that the judge allowed inadmissible evidence in the trial and is confident that the decision will be overturned in the state appeal court. Even if it was not, and the company would then have further recourse to appeal through the federal courts, this case does not set a precedent for other

damages cases.

BAT and the other tobacco companies face more legal challenges and, in all probability further defeats. The volatility in BAT's share price is, therefore, set to continue.

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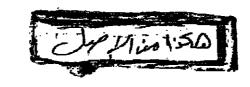
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#### Capel team decamps

ANOTHER wave of resignations has hit HSBC James Capel, the securities firm dogged by talk of internal strife. In the latest shake-out, most of Capel's pan-European equity derivatives team has decamped to NatWest Securities.

Jason Good, Simon Monson, and Raoul Pal. ioin NatWest's London operation, reporting to Shaun Cutier. In Hong Kong. Tom Ashworth, former head of UK derivative sales at Capel, has resigned after ten years to join Wheelock NatWest Securities, the

bank's local joint venture. The departures are a blow to Capel, which has lost three European salesmen and four long-serving UK sales traders in recent weeks. NatWest came top in the annual Extel investment analysts' survey, pip-ping Capel, which formerly held the crown for II years

#### Party time

JOHN KEMP-WELCH had better not be superstitious. The Stock Exchange chairman is inviting City VIPs to celebrate the tenth anniversary of Big Bang a month before the actual date on October 27. A reconstruction of Jonathan's Coffee House from the 18th century, waiters in Bowler hats, and caricaturists are all in place for the party on September 25 that is to be held on the old market trading floor. But why so early? According to Stock Exchange: "We're leasing the floor to Liffe, and this is the only week free. I'm sure it's nothing. Our guests are all



very empirically minded."

Kemp-Welch: better not be superstitious

JUREK SIKORSKI, the newly appointed chief ex-ecutive of Cantab Pharmaceuticals, ought to bring a touch of Poland to the Cambridge company. Sikorski, 44, was born in a refugee camp in Cirencester, where his parents met and married. Sikorski and his family lived there for eight years. Now the father of two makes an annual pilgrimage to visit his relatives in Poland.

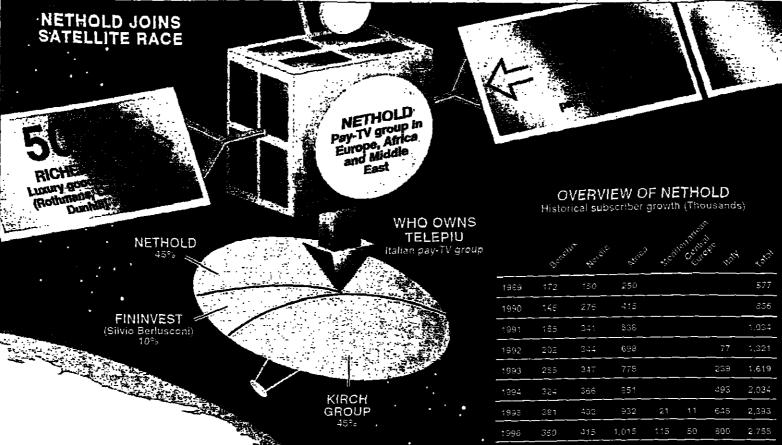
#### Dream date

BACK at her old desk in Victoria Street yesterday as director of PR firm Atkinson Courage, Jane Atkinson, the Princess of Wales's former publicity adviser, who now looks after Avis Europe and the Equal Onportunities Commission. appears to have had a aky start. Reinstating herself in the City, Atkinson plumped for Lord Archer as her first luncheon date at Le Caprice, describing him as "every lady who lunches' dream".

#### Off the hook

BT LET a North Yorkshire village hall off the hook vesterday, after originally insisting it pay £475 for a 20-hour call to a chat hotline. The Sharow-based committee were astonished to receive a £520 demand abmost 12 times the size of its normal quarterly bill. This one, however, indicated that someone had rung Sup "Friendly Chatterway and failed to replace the receiver. The committee made an impassioned plea to BT, arguing that the call must have been made by a trespasser, and the bill has now been waived.

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# Link-up that could raise the stakes in satellite TV wars

take the burgeoning digital television industry by storm. ■ DirecTV, an American pay-TV company owned by General Mo-tors, and NetHold, the South African group that launched Europe's first digital TV service in 1995, are expected

to unveil a global partnership before the end of the month. Together, DirecTV and NetHold would have operations in the US. South America, Japan, Africa, the Middle East and several European countries. They would be able to provide everything from satellites and subscriber managements systems to decoders and programmes such as movies and sport. But their greatest strength is financial might, enabling them to compete with the likes of BSkyB of Britain, Kirch and Berteslmann of Germany, CLT of Luxembourg, and Canal Plus and Havas of

France as they form partnerships of their own to attack TV's hottest market. General Motors is the world's largest carmaker and controls DirecTV through Hughes Electronics, one of the leading players in satellites and deequally by MIH, the South African pay-TV company, and Richemont, the overseas investment arm of South

Africa's billionaire Rupert family. Richemont's consumer portfolio includes luxury brands such as Rothmans, Peter Stuyvesant, Cartier, Dunhill, Piaget and Montblanc. One senior pay-TV executive said: "When you have companies the size of GM and Richemont committed to this industry, they could become very

effective competition down the road." DirecTV and NetHold would not comment on their negotiations. The speculation is that DirecTV will put as much as \$1 billion of new capital into NetHold, taking a minority stake of perhaps 30 per cent in exchange. Jean-Louis Erneux, a NetHold spokesman, would say only that "we are very open

to the idea of partnerships". In the spring, Celso Avezedo, senior vice-president of DirecTV International of Los Angeles, the company's overseas arm, said that he hoped to strike a deal with a European partner in the near future. At the time, he noted that the deep pockets of General Motors and DirecTV's own track record would make it an ideal marriage candidate. He said: "We are the only digital TV company that has put together a system for millions of subscribers for more than 100 channels. We've done it in the US and in

DirecTV was launched in late 1994. making it the world's first digital satellite broadcaster, and has taken off,

### Eric Reguly looks into the latest planned

alliance in television's hottest market

at amazing speed. By the spring of this year, it had 1.4 million subscribers and will probably finish the year with more than twice that number. It bombards viewers with 175 channels and owes much of its growth to coverage of the National Football League games and

Hollywood films. In January, DirecTV got a vote of confidence when AT&T, America's largest long-distance phone company, bought a 25 per cent stake for \$137.5 million, valuing it at \$5.5 billion. AT&T is using its own salesforce to recruit DirecTV customers and has an option to increase its stake to 30 per cent over

five years. General Motors and Hughes have made overseas expansion a priority for DirecTV. In partnership with four South American telecoms and media companies, it recently launched a 200channel Spanish and Portuguese service called Galaxy Latin America. It with a similar service started by The News Corporation, the ultimate owner of The Times and 40 per cent of BSkyB, along with partners from Mexico and Brazil. Next year

DirecTV will launch DirecTV in Japan. NetHold, based in The Netherlands, is a remarkable story of a broadcaster that has come out of nowhere to become one of the world's top satellite TV businesses. The company's roots go back to 1985 when M-Net, the first payTV channel in the southern hentisphere, was founded in South Africa by Ton Volsoo, a former Afrikaner newspaperman, and Koos Becker, an Afrikaner law graduate who was studying electronic communications at Columbia University

By 1990, M-Net had 500,000 subscribers and became one of the glamour stocks on the Johannesburg stock exchange. At the time, South Africa was still a pariah state and the prospect of expanding M-Net throughout Africa and into Europe was unimaginable. But the social and political reforms of F. W. de Klerk, then President, were to make South African companies more acceptable on the international stage.

n 1991. Richemont and M-Net got together to buy FilmNet, a pay-TV channel broadcasting in the Benelux and Nordic countries. ars later. Filmnet and M-Ne split their activities, forming a channel company and a subscriber management company, called Multichoice. NetHold was formed in 1995 through the consolidation of all these companies, and Mr Becker was made chief

By then, NetHold had expanded across Africa and into southern and central Europe. Its greatest success came in Italy, where it owns 45 per cent



Telepiù has exclusive rights to live Italian football games featuring the likes of Milan's Dejan Savicevic, left, and Roberto Baggio

of Telepiù (TV-plus), the Italian pay-TV operator that has the exclusive rights to live Italian football league games. Telepiù also gave NetHold a direct link to the Kirch group, which also owns 45 per cent, and Fininvest, the holding company of Silvio Berlusconi, the former Italian Prime Minister, with 10 per cent. Kirch and NetHold jointly developed the "D-Box", the digital decoder that stands a good chance of

becoming the European standard. Telepiù now has more than 800,000 subscribers, accounting for almost one in three of NetHold's total subscriber base of 2.8 million across Africa, the Middle East and Europe, Subscribers in the Benelux and Nordic countries have been tougher recruits for NetHold. The number of Benelux subscribers has fallen slightly - to about 360,000 at last count - because of competing commercial channels.

NetHold has embarked on a drive to supplement its analogue service with digital broadcasting, which offers virtually unlimited capacity and the potential for technological marvels such as interactivity and "near-video" on demand.

About SULUCU of its subscribers take the new digital service and the number is expected to grow dramatically in the next few years. BSkyB plans to do the same in Britain.

Robert Hersov, who is the executive director of NetHold and chief executive of Telepiù, said that NetHold's primary strength was providing the technological "platform" - the satellite distribution, subscriber management and decoding systems - that makes satellite broadcasting possible. "Our intention was never to make money on the technology itself," he said. "It was to drive costs down to allow us to get into new markets."

On the technology front, DirecTV will be hard to beat. But neat gizmos and deep pockets will not necessarily allow it to stitch together a global digital-TV network with ease. Digital TV is a rich prize and it is certain to be challenged by several equally powerful

alliances. Last month, Kirch and BSkvB formed a partnership with DFI to launch a 17-channel digital satellite

service in Germany. BSkyB and Kirch have the financial clout to buy the sports and movie rights needed to lure customers -- Kirch recently won the rights to football's 2002 and 2006 World Cup finals outside of North America — and will inevitably expand into untouched markets in Russia and Eastern Europe.

A partnership between DirecTV and NetHold can only raise the stakes in the satellite TV wars and will inevitably lure other alliances into the fray.

Audit liability

From Mr Duncan Alexander

Sir, Many shareholders will applaud D. F. Murray's letter

(Business Letters, August 6).

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Caparo judgment in 1990.

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Yours faithfully, DUNCAN ALEXANDER,

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#### BUSINESS LETTERS

#### Alliance of BA and American will lead to more transatlantic competition like on any route between From the Chief Executive

of British Airways Sir, To the complete contrary of what Richard Branson says in his letter (Business Letters, August 9), the alliance be-tween British Airways and American Airlines will increase airline competition across the Atlantic.

standards.

Its approval hinges on the UK and US Governments agreeing to end their remaining restrictions, allowing any airline from the two companies to fly as often as they

Britain and the United States. Airlines are already lining up to take advantage of this. and that can only mean more competition. For the consumer, that means more downward pressure on fares, which have already fallen by 40 per cent in five years, with British Airways offering lower public fares to the United States than any other UK or US airline. And it can only mean more upwards pressure on quality

mons Transport Select Committee is the only independent arbiter so far to reach conclusions on the full arguments for an against our alliance. It has urged a quick decision; it has found that it could be a means of ensuring that the UK remains a major player in the world air transport industry; and has concluded that it should not be referred to the Monopolies and Mergers

Commission. British Airways has wanted

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Yours faithfully,

The all-party House of Com- to fly within the United States for ten years but, as Mr Branson knows full well, the US Congress has never allowed any foreign airline to do so.

And they will not do so in the future. Yours faithfully ROBERT AYLING. Chief Executive. British Airways, Speedbird House, PO Box 10, Heathrow Airport,

#### NatWest Bank for having made a profit of only £300

million. Of course, under such lamentable circumstances, there can be no reasonable alternative to closing 300 branches and prejudicing the livelihood of maybe five times that number of employees.

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Yours faithfully,

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# Franc in toils over Treaty

yearn for the day when the Bank of England has proper independence from political control but for now he must be thankful not to be Jean-Claude Trichet, his opposite number at the Bank of France. Our Governor has had to swallow some blokish joshing from the Chancellor about always being too pessimistic about inflation but M Trichet appears to be subject to no less than a concerted political

campaign against him.
The French franc took a dive on Friday after the French Government announced a move to prose-cute former bosses of the state-owned bank Credit Lyonnais. The move was seen as a rebuke to M Trichet, banking supervisor at the time. In last year's presidential campaign, Jacques Chirac upbraided M Trichet for calling for wage restraint: last month he criticised banking supervision and complained that interest rates were too high.

Of course, some of this is down to political rivalry. Kenneth Clarke has the relative luxury of taking final decisions on interest rates. President Chirac, a far larger ego, has to play second fiddle to M Trichet, an independent central banker and former aide to Edouard Balladur, Mr Chirac's erstwhile rival, With unemployment at record levels, M Trichet is an ideal scapegoat.

Speculation about a Chirac/Trichet rift, which sent the franc down on Friday, seemed to have blown over yesterday. But the difficulties between the two men goes to the heart of France's current dilemma.

President Chirac is looking for an exit route from Trichet is blocking it. In spite of speculation that France has asked Germany for a delay to the 1999 start date for monetary union, President Chirac and the French Establishment remain absolutely committed to the project - sooner or later. That means more deficit reduction to get borrowing down to the magic Maastricht limit of 3 per cent of GDP. The 1997 budget, due late next month, will promise to freeze public M Trichet's permission.

enough. Adrian Owens of Julius Baer Bank believes that further cuts worth I per cent of GDP would have to be found to meet the Maastricht deficit rule.

With unemployment at 12.5 per cent, there will be more social unrest this autumn as public spending is frozen or cut. And popular discontent is more than justified given that the Government promised in the 1994 parliamentary elections to reduce the tax burden, a pledge repeated by Mr Chirac. Worse, the constant tightening of the fiscal screws is digging a huge economic hole.

The economy just cannot grow enough Julian Jessop of Nikko Europe reckons that growth will only be 0.6 per cent this year, not the 1.3 per cent the Government hopes for. The deficit will worsen and France will fail rapidly behind a recovering Germany, so creating the economic divergence that contradicts the entire design of Maastricht.

The escape route is monetary. French rates could be cut even if German ones aren't. A fail in the franc, far from being a disaster, would be invaluable. Why, Mr Chirac may argue, is M Trichet so intent on keeping the franc within its old narrow ERM bands when the system is operating wide 15 per cent limits? The franc could fall nearly 15 per cent and still meet the currency criteria of Maastricht.

M Trichet will not counte nance such a travesty. If the commitment to a strong franc faltered, he would argue, the slide could become unstoppable and rates would rise sharply. But why should this be so? First, currency dealers would probably see ine itanc as a bargain, even : per cent below current levels. Secondly, investors might like French bonds more rather than less if a currency depreciation rescued the

The argument is likely to be settled by default. By the end of this year, the markets will see how anaemic growth has been and how much more intractable the deficit problem has become, and will deliver Mr Chirac's franc depreciation without

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telephone banking From Mr Ken Hughes Sir, Mr Lloyd (Business Letters, August 6) highlights

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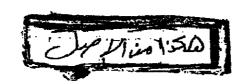
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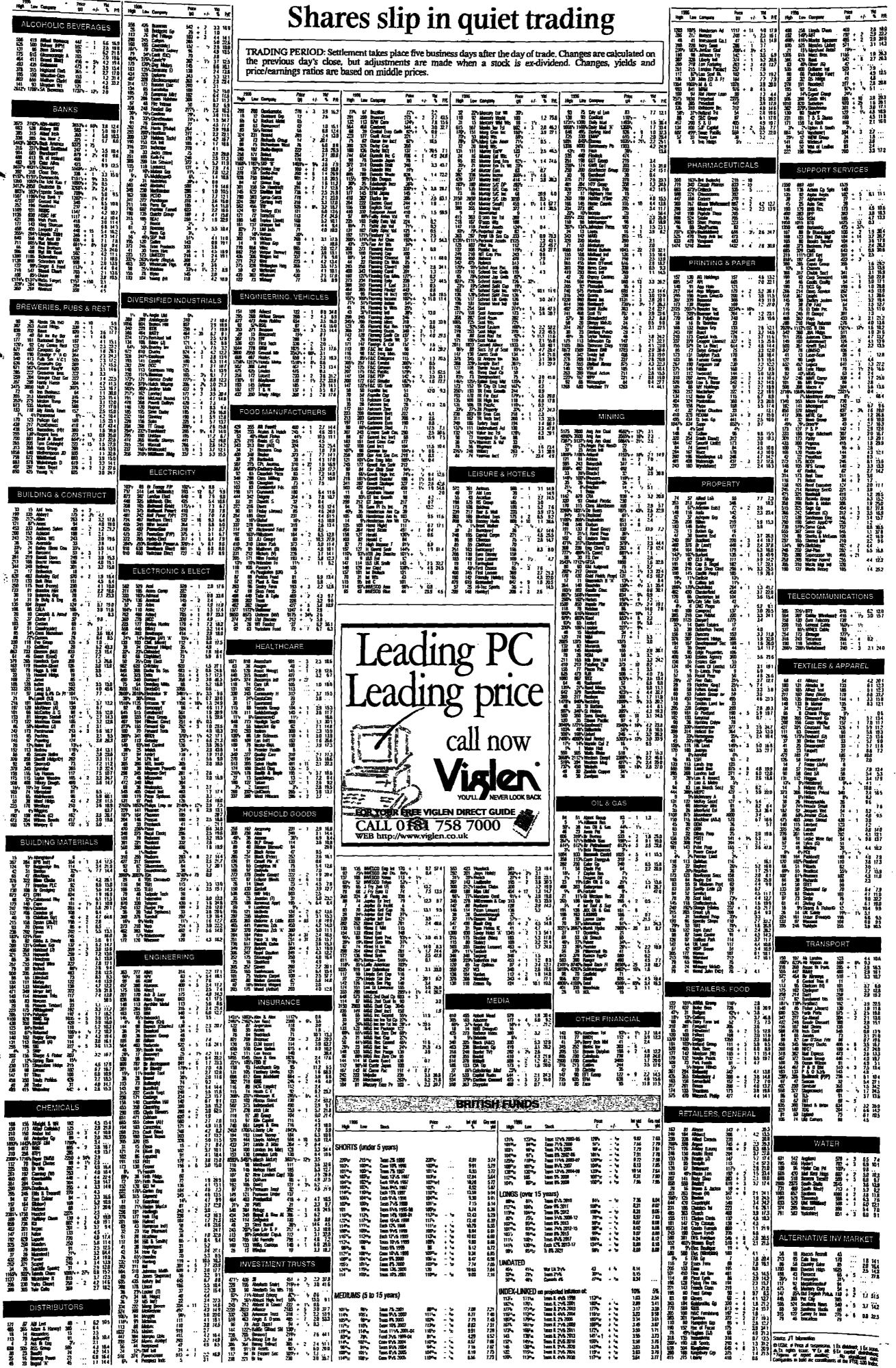
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AN EXHIBITION of the computer hardware and software specifically needed by small businesses is being planned for next year.
So many visitors to the Business

Solutions show in May made technology inquiries that the organisers decided to hold an exhibition serving their particular requirements.

More than 60 per cent of the visitors to Business Solutions, at Olympia, London, wanted Internet information, at least twice the number inquiring about financial services. A similar proportion asked about general information technology.

The inquiries came mainly from decision-makers in small and medium-sized businesses, who said good advice was hard to find because most manufacturers and suppliers concentrated on corporate customers. Another difficulty is that small companies usually lack a technology expert.

Philip Lowery, a director of EPS Events, which organised Business Solutions, said: "Many large organisations have dedicated managers for areas such as information technology and communication, whereas most small and medium-sized enterprises don't have that luxury.

"So the person responsible for marketing may also be in charge of purchasing a complete computer network. These people want to talk to companies that offer sound advice and practical solutions, not

technical jargon." Alan Gilmour, a director of Dagda Consulting, a south London management consultancy, found computer companies are not geared up to customers that lack technical knowledge. "They find it difficult to come down to our level," he said. "I have been wrestling for six months to sort us out to get on to the Internet, and it is not as easy as

it's cracked up to be." Some companies have responded. Compaq already has a special section for small businesses, and BT

and Dell are setting up divisions. EPS Events is staging its SME Networks Show at Wembley Conference and Exhibition Centre from April 8 to 10, next year. The show will include seminars for companies installing a network or upgrading. Details: 0701 0709 901.

# Sugarcraft proves sweet success is a piece of cake

Della Mason on

how one woman's fascinating hobby has blossomed

akes standing up to 4ft high in the shape of buildings such as the Eiffel Tower, Dover Castle or a white and gold Chinese pagoda with dragons are the sturning creations of The Sugarcraft Studio at Deal in Kent. In two years, the owner, Clair Hobson, a young mother in her thirties, has turned a fascinating hobby into a business success.

Mrs Hobson put in £3,000 of her own money and borrowed £2,000 to start the business. Additionally she had invested some £10,000 in equipment, from silver cake stands to the vast array of tools to make her sugarcraft flowers.

She went on the Enterprise Scheme for small businesses and received "invaluable" three-month business training plus the small financial package for those who start out on their own.

Her previous career also helped. She was sales and marketing director at the Grosvenor Hotel, London, and before that was sales manager at the Cumberland Hotel, Marble Arch.

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The cashflow is helped by eight

workshop days a month. Students of all ages attend. The cost is £19 a day, which includes the use of all the tools needed.

Students travel from Essex, Hampshire and Wales, and classes

students. They are taught the art of creating everything in sugar, from roses and gardenias to flower

The Sugarcraft Studio also sells specialist books to other cakemakers. But the big projects are where she has set her sights. She hopes to create the Taj Mahal for one interested client and has plans for a millennium project in

The design architect for the large cakes is her husband. Neil, a Merchant Navy engineering officer

The quality of Mrs Hobson's cakes is the best. After a long search she found Michael Gadd, of Dudley, West Midlands, whose cake bases are delivered to her studio by special courier.

At the start of her third business year, Mrs Hobson has her finances sensibly structured. Originally she forecast her revenues correctly but underestimated the expenses. She has taken on a modest five-year loan to help the firm to grow. Part of the loan paid for the brochures she has been sending out to win corporate clients.

She wants The Sugarcraft Studio to take on more commissions and to add a member of staff. In a sense I feel this is the true start of the business, and all that went before has been a giant and tough learning curve," she says.

"I just don't take on the work if I feel it will not be profitable. But in the past I have sometimes been guilty of undervaluing my time. I imagine this is every sole trader's

The Sugarcraft Studio is on

## Mid Wales has record year with both jobs and investment

MID WALES enjoyed a record year in 1905-96, creating or safeguarding 1,000 jobs and attracting £32 million worth of private-sector investment, according to the Development Board for Rural Wales. In its annual report, the DBRW said the region exceeded all the

targets set for it by William Hague. the Welsh Secretary. Property sales generated receipts of Eo.75 million with the result that 60 per cent of factories built by the board are now in private hands.

A sharp fall in factory vacancy rates to 8.7 per cent of stock led the board to embark on a 170,000 sq ft construction programme. It focused largely on extending existing business park premises and con-verting historic buildings for business purposes. Examples include turning an old school at Aberystwyth into offices and converting the former Weishpool railway station into a craft and retail complex.

It was also a good year for inward investment. Smaller businesses in the automotive component and packaging industries have moved to Mid Wales from Italy, Finland, Denmark and the United States, In January, Mid Wales welcomed its first Japaneseowned company, Traftee.

The DBRW's business backbone, however, is its indigenous businesses. Some 29 companies received £2.45 million in investment grants to help them to expand. More than 300 manufacturing

businesses benefited from the board's training and consultancy services, while 500 firms took export planning and language courses. Largely as a result of this, small firms in rural Wales now export to Europe, North America, the Middle East and Japan. Last year the board created a Mid Wales loan scheme enabling local businesses to borrow between £10,000 and £100,000 to expand.

Among the most buoyant sectors in 1905-96 was craft and giftware. A total of £800,000 worth of extra sales was generated in the year after an Arts Council craft promotion initiative.

However, the board is concerned that some sections of the Mid Wales community remain reluctant to establish small firms, such as Welsh speakers and women. But initiatives established in 1995-96 specifically to target these groups yielded encouraging results.

Of the 2,020 people who inquired

about starting businesses, 342 eventually did so. The board is also keen to

regenerate the region's market towns, improve retail opportunities in villages and expand technological and food-based businesses. To this end an innovation award scheme will be launched in 1996-97.



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on September 18. Details from Katherine Ross on 0113-246 1738. ☐ The Welsh Office has unveiled a £1 million package to help small businesses to expand in the Principality. It includes a new equity fund to finance business growth in

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West Wales; a drive to promote local sourcing of products and services in North Wales; and the expansion of the business counselling service in southeast Wales and the growth of small retail businesses in Mid Wales. To further promote the retail sector, business rate relief of at least 50 per cent is to be offered to village shops and post offices serving small rural communities.

Most small business owners feel work cuts significantly into their personal lives, a report from

#### BRIEFINGS

the Small Business Research Trust says. The survey, sponsored by Lloyds Bank, found two thirds of the sample worked outside normal hours and took no holidays, with resulting pressure on their marriages. Judy Cunnington, the assistant director of the London Marriage Guidance Council, said: "It is common to think a relationship will look after itself, but it

An 18-month European Union aid plan for the regeneration of the steel areas of northeast England. Yorkshire and Humberside is expected to create 225 businesses and 1,900 jobs in Hartlepool, Middlesbrough, Stockton-on-Tees. Scunthorpe, Sheffield, Mexborough, Doncaster and Rotherham. The EU is giving 24.3 million ecus (£20 million) under a programme to help industrial areas in

decline, to be topped up to 49 million ecus (E41 million) by contributions from central and local government and the private sector.

☐ A new £2 million government scheme is offering multimedia awards of up to £50,000 to help creative smaller businesses to develop innovative ideas for digital products and applications. Companies in, for example, electronic publishing, film and TV programme production, software development, advertising, design and the music industry may apply for a

to prototype stage, or for an innovative Product Development award, offering up to £50,000 to get a prototype to market. Ten awards are available in each category, covering up to half the project's cost. There is also a New Media award for students and recent graduates to reward original ideas. The awards are part of the Information Society Initiative, a four-year, £35 million pro-gramme by the DTI. Details from Jeremy Scott on 0171-828 7300:

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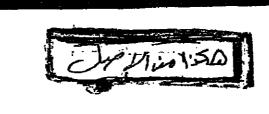
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# Beethoven at the gallop

George Steiner's plea in his controversial festival lecture for the reinvention of festival programming, Beethoven's Ninth Symphony rang out at the start of this year's Edinburgh Festival, reaffirming for a new generation of listeners, movers and

dreamers those ideals of universal brotherhood and of a vision of life that transcends the material which gave such momentum to the founding of the festival 50 years ago. Yes. 50 years holds an

immensity of change. And yes, it often seems that the impotence of the arts stands horribly naked among the harbar-ians. And Professor Steiner is not the first, by some six centuries at least, to have, noted it. But who would dare measure the invisible movement of the human spirit as stirred and transformed by music or verse? A Survivor From Warsaw, whom Schoenberg and Olaf Baer (as narrator) celebrated in this opening concert, tuned his speech to song, not to the dance of science; and so did the prisoners of Terezin. Have our joys, our energies - our horrors. too - changed so very much since 1947? Are these cultural ideals now mere "worn-out" ghosts? Or is it rather our reception and assimilation of them that needs reinventing?

Be all this as it may - and Steiner certainly provided the festival with plenty of other matter for soul searching -Sunday's opening Beethoven performance, with the Royal Scottish National Orchestra conducted by Donald Runnicles, did provide ammunition for the professor's weaponty. The symphony was

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dispatched within an hour and dispatched is the word. As if impatient to reach its "Ode to Joy", it scurried over too much of the uncertainty, the tumult and the struggle essential to gain it.

A certain sparseness and imbalance of texture at the centre of the orchestral palette, and a lack of rhythmic ballast caused by edgy pacing, made the opening movement overfrisky: just what Beethoven surely wished to avoid with his restraining tempo directions. And by the slow movement, its viola melody cavalier, its variations reduced by speed to the pedestrian, the ear's experience became similar to that of an eye wearied by too much foreground detail and longing for more distant horizons.

The finale hurtled forward with the cellos' exposition of the great song creeping contouriess on its way. Then, ignition. Bryn Terfel's exultation to joy revealed him as the sole performer so far who seemed to know anything of what it was to be feuertrunken, drunk with fire. The Edinburgh Festival Chorus, thank goodness, followed his lead, and the soprano of Hillevi Martinpelto forged a bright, firm frame for their voices and those of the other two soloists. Jane Irwin and Heinz Kruse. That "new motif of life" offered by the festival's first Lord Provost in 1947 seemed within grasp after all.

HILARY FINCH



"The exquisite detailing looks forward to the intensely expressive painting of his maturity": Velázquez's A Kitchen Maid with the Supper at Emmaus (National Gallery of Ireland)

# Old master, young talent

VISUAL ART: John Russell Taylor on stunning shows of works cople often wonder why the majority of the great international loan exhibitions in Paris or New York do not come to Britain. Money obvibecause Britain's holding of ously has something to do essential Gauguins is far outwith it; likewise the length of classed by those of several time that lenders are willing to other European countries, and be without their cherished America. On the other hand,

But a very important consideration is the pull of key works sited in Britain to begin with. It makes perfect sense that a big Gauguin show for example, would not come here.

possessions.

Velazquez's youth, An Old Woman Cooking Eggs. Obviously this was the in-spiration for the gallery to organise the show, putting as it does one of Scotland's greatest treasures in context. The astonishing thing is that when Velázquez moved from his native Seville to Madrid in 1623, he was only 24. This means that all these Seville works were painted when he was in his teens or barely out of them; the Old Woman was painted when he was just 19. Clearly he was a precocious enius. What an exhibition like this enables us to do is to

determine just how preco-cious, just how extraordinary. Virtually all of the surviving works from Veläzquez's Seville years are on display, borrowed from as far afield as St Petersburg, Chicago, Buda-pest, and, of course, Madrid. But they are supported by a revealing selection of paintings, sculpture and prints by predecessors and contemporaries, including several pieces by his father-in-law, Francisco Pacheco. These make clear not only how thoroughly Velazquez belonged in his historical context, but also how far he

His tavourite genre in these early years, the so-called hodegones or horizontally composed kitchen scenes, such as A Kitchen Maid with the Supper at Emmaus, was popular in Seville at the time, and he certainly did not invent it. But the exquisite detailing of these generally dark-toned scenes is peculiar to him, and looks forward to the intensely expressive painting of his maturity. An Old Woman Cooking Eggs or the London National Gallery's Kitchen

Scene with Christ in the

**EDINBURGH** 

House of Martha and Mary are superbly composed, occupying their wide, low space with complete confidence, but they also lend themselves to the extraction of details: a gift to the gallery's marketing division, which offers everything from a recreation of a Velazquez jug to T-shirts.

This apart, the paintings are uniquely satisfactory to look at with closer and closer attention. In particular, Velázquez emerges as an inspired painter of still lifes, as well as an acute observer of human character. For several of these works he uses the same "stock company" of models, shuffling them slightly or changing the poses from canvas to canvas. One can divine the effect his work had on his contemporaries from the numerous imitations, variations and possible copies of lost originals. One can also measure the distance he travelled in a very short time by comparing Pacheco's giant Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary, an estimable if rather stolid painting. with his pupil and son-in-law's version painted very shortly afterwards, in which the Virgin hovers magically against

an overcast night sky. When Velazquez went to Madrid he took one of his earlier paintings with him, the Waterseller of Seville (now

by the young Velázquez and contemporary Chinese painters on label so believably attached to a simulated temple wall that borrowed from Apsley House apparently visitors have to be restrained from trying to peel in London). Evidently he reit off. These are pictures that work on many levels, from the garded this as a sufficient testimony of his already unique skills. It seems that he most obvious and literal to the was never the most modest of most subtly symbolic: "reckoning with the past" indeed. men. On the evidence of this But this is by no means the painting, with its incomparaole rendering of the water only approach at work. The splashing down the side of the great water pot in the foreground and its vivid characterisation of the old

catalogue one could not tell for

certain which are from the

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the islands; and that all the

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The works which express

most completely Chinese art

today are probably the pa-

limpsest paintings of the Pe-

king artist Mao Lizi. They are

in a sense graffiti paintings,

but have nothing to do with the raucous New York expres-

sions we associate with the

term. Rather, they are stun-

ningly illusionist pictures of

imaginary vandalised murals,

generation of artists.

Velázouez.

intensely coloured, dreamlike paintings of Wang Xingwei invent their own world, as it might be in the studio of an waterseller, it would have old-fashioned studio photog been difficult to argue with rapher with a lot of artificial backdrops, and people it with modernly dressed figures who The most exciting of the other Edinburgh Festival shows could hardly be more appear to mistake the dream for reality. Sze Yuen, from different. Reckoning with the Hong Kong, draws endless panoramas of scenes from life, Past gathers together in the Fruitmarket Gallery the work film and fantasy that merge of 15 contemporary Chinese into one another like the painters from mainland Chinarrative progression of an na, Taiwan and Hong Kong. antique scroll painting. The title refers more to the subject-matter and the artists' attitudes than to the styles in which they paint. Two things are immediately remarkable:

hang Xiaogang, hitherto the best known outside China, offers more of his curiously waxen images of young Chinese with unexplained threads that without looking at the and natches of colour superimposed. Fene Mengbo's Streetfighter paintings are inspired by Pop Art and computer games, and would surprise which only five years ago were one not a jot if they came straight from Chicago.

with an already defaced Mao

superimposed on a scraped and faded Buddha, or a stuck-

Yang Yiping embraces Western realism in a very different, much more traditionally painterly way, almost like a Chinese Hopper but imposing a strongly individual vision. Clearly from now on we have to expect the unexpected from the new Chinese artists.

 Velázquez in Seville is at the National Gallery of Scotland, The Mount (UI31-556 8921) until Oct Reckoning with the Past is at the

Fruitmarket Gallery, 45 Market Street (0131-225 2383) until Sept 28

# Witness to the persecution

The Traverse may not be celebrating its own half-century until 2013, and it may still be officially categorised as a Fringe theatre. But for more years than I dare remember it has been my first and favourite port of call on my annual odyssey through Auld Reekie. And what could be more appetising than yet another premiere there by Communicado, the Edinburgh company that produced a refreshingly brash Cyrano de Bergerac in 1992 and has never since been found

wanting in imagination and energy? This year Communicado is bringing the same strengths to Michel Vinaver's Portrait of a Woman, yet the effect is not especially exciting or, I fear, moving. With the help of a few desks, chairs and performers, Gerry Mulgrew's production communicates the feel of one of those French murder trials in which Maitre this and Maître that circle the accused, lunging and snapping like dogs baiting a bear. But the case that is being recreated might have been chosen, and indeed probably was chosen, in order to tantalise

and frustrate us. Certainly, the defendant seems as inscrutable as the sort of woman who drifts through plays by Marguerite Duras, invisibly throbbing and inwardly ululating. She is Sophie Auzanneau, a character based on a medical student

tale, this woman turned stalker and murderess when he finally took the hint and found himself another fiancee. It was clear that she was a pretty disturbed person and had some reason to be so: brothers who died violently, cold parents, unsuitable lovers. She gave one witness the impression that she was "struggling against something inside that's breaking her up" and, if Vinaver is to be believed, she said something very curious about her victim: "I didn't love him enough to watch him walk off with someone else".

But Vinaver seems less interested in the nature of her psychopathology than in the failure of anyone or anything, least of all the legal system, to recognise its existence. Hostile attorneys describe her as a monster, a schemer and, in defiance of all logic, a fortune-hunter. Her recurrent suicide attempts are dismissed as artful dodges, and the fact that she had an unpatriotic affair with a German military convicted in 1951 of shooting the young doctor is pointedly mentioned. With so

weirdly lachrymose pleas for understand-

ing come to nothing. Mulgrew's staging is, as usual, deft and clever. Sandy Neilson, for instance, transforms himself from Sophie's wintry father to her benign German lover simply by donning a white coat in mid-flow. Time swivels this way and that, so that Veronica Leer's quietly dignified Sophie can answer her judges while she is flirting with Joel Strachan as her hapless, nerdish victim, or his macho friends can advise him to give her a good beating while her attorney takes aim at the jury's tear-ducts. But does Mulgrew's cast end by telling us much more than that human complexity is seldom acknowledged in the judicial cockpit? I don't think so.

Nor does Claire Dowie's All Over Lovely, which I saw earlier at the same address, generate as much light and fun as it should. The author and Peta Lily play cousins and former lovers who have tried and failed to find meaning in, respectively, organic farming and principled poverty, and business success and money. Something is being said about latefeminist disillusionment, something about the love that lies behind jealousy and anger, but the writing is hardly searching enough to make it worth unravelling. Still, I will be returning to the Traverse as the week progresses in the hope that this year it is not withholding its bounty, just postponing it,

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1. The Department of Social Security, in association with the Department for Education and Employment, will, from April 1997, be running a pilot scheme to help lone parents take up work. We are seeking proposals from terested organisations for services and schemes to help achieve this objective. We particularly want to help the large number of lone parents dependent on Income Support to become self-supporting

2. Proposals should aim to help lone parents to overcome barriers to taking up and keeping a job in order to improve their living standards and long-term prospects. The schemes and services would have to demonstrate their cost-effectiveness and be replicable in other areas.

3. Funding of up to £1m in total is available in each of the financial years 1996/7. 1997/8 and 1998/9. This is for single or multi-year projects which fall within the criteria set out below.

The Department is interested in receiving proposals and expressions of interest of two kinds:

PILOT SERVICES

4. A range of services to be provided in a number of geographical areas where the pilot scheme will take place. starting in April 1997 for three years. The areas will be selected by early October 1996. Likely services identified are; a survey of local childcare services, an information pack giving advice to lone parents about how they can be better off in work, training caseworkers who will offer help to lone parents moving into work, mentoring those who do find work, and possibly brokering childcare provision. Other services may be identified later.

5. Expressions of interest in providing any or all of these services in the selected areas should be received by

6. All service providers who respond to this notice by 2 September will be sent an Outline Scope of Work giving further information, and a questionnaire. Replies will be required by 9 September following which an itation to Tender may be issued. A decision about the award of contracts will be made by mid-November. The Department reserves the right not to award any contracts in pursuit of this requirement.

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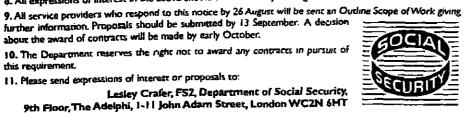
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much hectoring from the judges and lover who had begged her to marry him and whom she had repeatedly refused. In salacious giggling from the public gallery.

■ CHOICE 1

Russia's newest orchestra brings Shostakovich to Edinburgh VENUE: Tonight at



**■ CHOICE 2** 

while Miranda Richardson stars in Virginia Woolf's Orlando VENUE: Tonight at the

and loccales (Purcel Room 6.30pm). At 7 45pm, His Majestys Segbutts and Cornetts take us on a grand four of

Commetts take us on a grand tour of music for brass and organ from 18th-and 17th-century England, Rely, Spain and Germany Also in the Queen Etzabeth Hall (9 OSpm), the win themas of Death and Triumph are soplored in music from 17th-century

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LEATHERHEAD: Paul Nicholas, who is best known as Vince in the television at-com Just Good Friends, makes his Thomotike debut as The Mysterious Mr. Love Karoline Leach's enignetic drama co-stars Susan Penhaliggon, whose Victorians spinister becomes the latest in a long line of Mrs Loves. Thomotike, Church Street (01372 378211) Opers tomotify, 7 45pm Then Mon-Fn, 7 45pm; Sat, 8pm; mats Wed. 2 30pm and Sat, 4pm, [5]

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■ CHOICE 3

Paul Nicholas opens in The Mysterious Mr Love

VENUE: Tonight at the Thorndike. Leatherhead



**JAZZ** 

Joshua Redman proves to be one of the stars of the ambitiously expanded festival in Brecon

DAVID REDFERN

**EDINBURGH** 

After making triumphant appearances at both the Proms in London and the at both the Proms in London and the Harrogate Festival, the Riussian National Orchaestra travels to the International Festival to give the tract two concerts (loday and tomorrow, Usinor Hall, Bprn). Midhael Plethev conducts two separate programmes, which include works by Haydh, Shostakounch and Tchaskovsky. Shostakourch and Tichalkovsky
Over in the Queen's Hall (11 am),
Imited seath remain for Comparto
Italiane's performence of Monteverd's
sensuous Meatingals However, tickets
are available chill for Nederlands Dense
Theaster (Edinburgh Playhouse, todayfrit. 7.30pm) The company's theatical
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tragile Bella Figura and his seminal Symphony of Psalms The Royal Lyceum is the venue for a me noyal Lyceum is the venue for a rare stage appearance by Maranda Richardson in the English language premiere of Robert Wilson's production of Virginia Woolf's Orlando (today-Aug 21, except Sun, 7 30pm). Although the entire run has already sold out, there is always a sim chance of returns. Feathral box office (0131-225 5756 for lickets and information) Meanwhile, the Fringe wolcomes Trinity Baroque, five singers who embark on a sacred and secular journey through the music of Schutz and

BIRDY: Wislam Wharlon's besi-seling novel where a schoophrenic longs for freedom, oddly filmed but now adapted for the stage by Naom Williams and Adam Garda. Lyric Studio, King Street. Hammer smith, W6 (0181-741 2311). Mon-Set, Born: met Set, 4,30pm. Lintili August 13.

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**NEW RELEASES** 

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A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Gillian Maxey

Monteverdi (St. John's Church, today 6pm, tomorrow 1pm, Thurs 3pm). Over in the Assambly Rooms, the Georgian Firm Actor's Sundin makes a welcome return with a dazging production of king Lear Hoday, Thure-Sun; 2pm). At 11 45pm, the Geotifyes, a band whose fixed yet's usually continue well with the early hours annear on stone at the early hours, appear on stage at the Gilded Balloon (today-Aug 26). Fringe box office (enquiries 0131-226 5257, tickets 0131-226 5138) **LONDON** 

BBC PROMS 96; Barry Tuckwell BBC PROMS 96: Barry Tuckwell makes his traewell Lundon appearance as a hom player with Hom Concertos by Oliver Knussen and Mozari Strautissky's Symphonies of Wind Instruments, Debussy's Noctumes and sibelius's Seventh Symphony complete this evening's programme by the Philharmonia Orchestra. The conductor is Ess Pekia Salonen Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, SW7 (0171-599-8212). Toriight, 7.30pm

FOR SEVERALL FRIENDS An evening of Early Music commences with Pamela Thorby, recorders, and Richard Egan, harps/chord/organ, performing early 17th-century sonalas, canzonas

THEATRE GUIDE

■ MARTIN GUERRE: The latest Distant in toderate: the tatast BoublikSchoolberg musical brings banal lyrics to a confusingly told tale.

Prince Edward, Old Compton St, W1 (0171-447-5400) Mon-Sat, 7 45pm, mats Thurs and Sat, 3pm.

Li PASSION: An unconvincing musical from Sondheim, but Mane Friedman remarkably good as a voractious man-hunter who gets her man With Michael Ball

Clueen's, Shaltesbury Avenue, W1

(0171-494 5590) Mon-Sat, 7 45pm;
mats Wed and Sat, 3pm THE PHOENICIAN WOMEN: Kathe

Mitchell's engrossing production of Europeles from last year's Stratford season; highly praised playing by Lorrame Ashbourne, Lucy Whybrow The Pit, Barbican Centre, EC2 (0171-638 8891) Tonight, 7.15pm. In rep ☐ THE RED BALLOON: Inevitably the alfectionate battoon was more convincing in the classic 1950s French film but Anthony Clark's stage version is skilful and touching National Theatre (Olivier), South Bent, National Theatre (Univer), South Set (0171-928 2252) In rep, with performances at 10 30am or 2.15pm

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Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where

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☐ TOMMY: Hugely impressive staging of the traumatised child's apothecess to piniball wizard. Loads of electronic tricks disgues the improbability. Shaftesbury, Shaftesbury,

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Blowing up a storm: sax master Illinois Jacquet, left, and rising star Joshua Redman, on only his second British appearance, thrilled audiences

# Three tenors steal the show

s Van Morrison took the stage on Friday evening to open the most ambitious Brecon Jazz Festival so far. only a few posters for best topside and Welsh lamb hinted that a couple of hours earlier the thousand-seater hall had been a food market. With only a rudimentary sound check, bassist Alec Dankworth and pianist Robin Aspland vanished in the mix. But honours went to Georgie Fame, who outsang and outswung everyone else on stage.

The large festival, with so many international stars that it was impossible to hear them all, put some strain on the organisation. Yet despite lastminute arrivals by musicians, the programme unfolded neatly with the occasional surprise, such as Dave McKenna stepping in for an indisposed Jessica Williams.

In sultry sun at outdoor venues there was ragtime-tinged early jazz from Boston's New Black Eagle Band, a tongue-in-cheek Midnight in Moscow and a sumptuous set of little-known tion, eventually stilled by an listic individuality of a true genius. most effective evangelist.

A contrasting trio of great saxophonists blew life and soul into the increasingly ambitious

Brecon Jazz Festival, says Alyn Shipton

Sidney Bechet compositions from British saxophonist Bill Greenow, including Passport to Paradise. Gary Crosby's Nu-Troop catered for more modern tastes and tenorist Denys Baptiste was well to the fore Tenor saxophones turned out to be

the most high-profile solo instruments. with Brecon regular Scott Hamilton wooing the crowds as effectively as his stylistic soulmate Harry Allen. Veteran tenorist Clifford Solomon, for many years a stalwart of Ray Charles's band. headed the excellent rhythm and blues group led by 73-year-old Charles Brown, trading licks with plangent guitarist Danny Caron. who whirled through his solos like a dervish. Brown's talcum-powder smooth singfrom Russian jazzman Igor Bourco, ing brought a lengthy standing ova- humour, technical perfection and sty- and went on to prove that he is still its

unaccompanied I Must Find Someone To Love.

Tenorist Bob Berg dominated the muscular hard bop set by trumpeter Tom Harrell. It is a paradox that a man so painfully withdrawn as Harrell should play and compose some of today's most blisteringly aggressive music, his band propelled by the menacing power of veteran drummer Billy Hart. Between Berg's lucid tenor and the showy trombone of Steve Turre, Harrell's solos reflected his inner fragility.

Harrell's set was less approachable for a general audience than the three tenor titans who were the undisputed stars of the whole festival. At 27, Joshua Redman plays with the authority,

Apart from a brief appearance last year at Ronnie Scott's, this was his first concert in Britain. Redman's solos include internal dialogue between registers — he leaps from the highest harmonics to pedal notes with no apparent effort, and he extended his 🌲 dialogue to guitarist Peter Bernstein and his New Orleans-based rhythm section, especially in new works such as Stream of Consciousness.

Joe Henderson, after a long career, has only now found international acclaim on the back of his Verve record deal. His tribute to the late Antonio Carlos Jobin. backed by a Brazilian trio, was a refreshing Latin antidote to the more orthodox rhythms of most other bands. But it was Illinois Jacquet, leading a 15-piece band drilled to perfection, who crowned the event.

Jacquet's blustery tenor and searing alto are undimmed by age and his perennial Flying Home brought dancers to the aisles and the audience to its feet. "Jazz is a religion," he announced,

Igor celet

lthough Stu Page and his band are generally labelled "country", their beautifully co-ordinated playing is just as likely to bring to mind ZZ Top as Garth Brooks, Dire Straits or J.J. Cale as Dwight Yoakam.

The obvious ease and enviable precision of this British band have grown out of years spent on the road with visiting American acts and, increasingly, in their own right. A higher profile is the result of having been the first band to have a promotional video played on the European network of Country Music Television, the cable and satellite COUNTRY

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punk band, except that his

playing is so accomplished

They are Bradford based, but frequent visitors to London. Page is a wiry, direct hair flying, has the classic and approachable man, who rocking cowboy look. writes economical songs Tintin-haired drummer which register quickly with John Boulton, who finished the listener. His band all look the set stripped to the waist, so individual that they might might have dropped in from a

and well judged.

The tall, gangling bass guitarist, Pete Shand, is impassive of face but rolls steadily with the pulse: a refugee from jazz-funk? Page himself plays deft guitar and discreetly controls his crew, taking lead

vocals almost by the way. Last Thursday the Haley Sisters, a duo who played their own brief, spell-binding set -Britain's answer to the Judds? provided backing vocals, and that craggy veteran Brendan Croker was also on

hand, adding rhythm guitar. The power of the seven-piece

was a mighty pleasure, whether on originals such as Too Many Ghosts and Picking (much tougher than on the record), or well-chosen covers. record), or wen-chosen control including Jimmy Buffett's Marearitaville.

It would seem that, for Page, mainstream success is just a step away, a matter of wider exposure on television and radio. Perhaps it would not make much difference to musicians so obviously in love with what they do, but it would be marvellous to see them enjoy their moment, and a joy to share their music with a larger audience.

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VISUAL ART I

Secret stunners: the British Museum reveals the glories of its 19th-century French drawings



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PROMS 1

Paul Daniel conducts the National Youth Orchestra in a superb account of Amériques



PROMS 2

. and the many sides of Igor Stravinsky are featured in a series of Albert Hall events

Isabel Carlisle on the fine but finite store of sketches and prints on show at the British Museum; plus other shows

# Back to the drawing hoard

partment of prints and drawings may not be known for its collection of French 19th-century works. Now they are on display, however, it is clear that there are some stunners. both among the salon painters and the Impressionist and Post-Impressionist drawings and watercolours.

The range is impressive. Even with a meagre purchase budget, it has been possible in the past decade to add quite a number of relatively inexpensive figure and landscape drawings by the more academic salon artists, such as Boulanger and Lehmann, who were celebrated in their day for their decorative schemes for buildings but are now hardly known. The real quality was injected in 1965 with a bequest from Cesar Mange de Hauke, a dealer who was inspired to work in prints and drawings after visiting the BM print room as a schoolboy. Earliest in the de Hauke bequest

(around 1810) is a Prud'hon black chalk drawing of a nude woman standing. The muscles of the torso and arms are beautifully modelled with fine hatching in a technique that could have been done in silverpoint by a Renaissance artist.

Delacroix's chalk drawing of a seated Arab, probably made on his second visit to Tangiers in 1832. shows a bearded figure in profile swathed in the folds of a magnificently striped burnous — the combi-nation of exotic drapery and features that kindled Delacroix's

enthusiasm for the Orient. The Apotheosis of Delacroix by Cezanne is one of only two surviving studies for a painting that was never completed but which, to Cezanne, had immense significance because of the admiration that he felt for Delacroix. Also fascinating for the insights that they offer into the crayon studies for La Grande Jatte, his polemical treatise What is Art? one of Seurat's largest and most

popular oil paintings, which now hangs in the Art Institute in Chicago. One is a study of the landscape with the figures removed — an exercise in establishing the proportions of the setting. The other, in Seurat's characteristic smoky style, is of the two strolling figures on the right — a man with a top hat and a woman with a parasol.

There are too many good drawings to mention here, but those by Degas and Redon are exceptional. Degas' Dancers practising at the Bar in grey oil paint thinned with

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turpentine on viridian paper is dated 1876-77 but has much of the arresting combination of colours and the vigour of his later pastels. With one dancer seen from the side and one from the back, the tutus left unfilled, and only parts of their bodies worked up in grey and white oil paint, this is clearly a quick sketch, but with the presence of a finished work.

Odilon Redon's La Cellule d'Or is one of his most celebrated works. partly because the woman's face in deep blue seen in profile against a gold ground is such a powerful, haunting image. When shown at Durand-Ruel's Redon retrospective in 1894, its modernity caused it to be neled out by Toistoy for attack in Alongside this show run two

smaller exhibitions. That on the grotesque explores the fantastic designs produced by printmakers for the decorative arts. This style, based on the decorative figures and shapes in Roman wall paintings, found its full expression during the

Baroque and Rococo periods.

The exhibition on David Le Marchand, the Huguenot ivory carver from Dieppe, is a treasure house of little portraits carved in the round, or in relief, of characters from the reigns of Queen Anne and King George I. Not much is known about this artist, who is first recorded in Edinburgh in 1696, a lacuna which this show attempts to fill. However, with all his skill at drapery, the curls of wigs, and facial expressions, we are left wondering what purpose these little sculptures had and how they were displayed. With the British Museum's pur-

chase grant standing at £925,000 this year (down from £1,425,000 in 1995 because of a reduction in government funding), it is hard to see how the prints and drawings collection could possibly continue to add to its holdings except through gifts and the occasional lottery handout (one drawing, by Marco Zoppo, was bought with lottery funds and money from the National Art Collections Fund last year).

Collections that cannot grow are effectively dead: the £925,000 shared among all the departments of the museum is clearly not enough to sustain life in this great national institution and allow it to grow in range and depth. Let the Treasury and the National Heritage Memorial Fund, from which lottery money for the arts is handed out, take note.

19th-century French Drawings from the British Museum; The Grotesque: Ornamental Prints from the British Museum: David Le Marchand (1674-1726) "an ingenious man for carving in ivory" all run until September 15 in the Prints and Drawings galleries of the British Museum (0171-636 1555)



Nude woman standing by Pierre Paul Prud'hon: black chalk heightened with white on grey paper

#### AROUND THE GALLERIES

THE American artist James Turrell returns to London with an installation at Micheal Hue Williams. After passing through a high, sci-fi-style entrance, the visitor is surrounded by a misty, diffuse light in which it is almost impossible to focus. After a time, however, a general state of confusion is replaced by tangible vision, as a large rectangle of blue light emerges. It has taken so long to arrive that the temptation to wait for more is strong. But the blue continues to glow only slightly, an ungraspable space lacking volbecomes clear that the art here lies simply in a trick of the light.

Micheal Hue Williams

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TWO paintings made using a computer-imaging process sit opposite each other while a selection of apparently random single letters hangs on the other wall. This show, by the young American artist Jack Pierson, gives the viewer few clues. A sunny day has been captured in fine detail in dots on the canvas surface. Viewed through layers of reflective glass, the image of boats bobbing in a peaceful East Coast harbour seems to provide a sense of escape yet remains ultimately trapped within its own artifice. Lightbulbs in the paint-ing opposite build up a relentless kaleidoscope. White Cube, 44 Duke Street, London SWI (0171-930 5373) continues until Sept 7

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# Igor celebrated, and accused

S travinsky Day at the Proms — a three-part extravaganza marking the 25th anniversary of the composer's death - opened with an in-the-round staging of The Soldier's Tale that used the space of the Albert Hall in a remarkably innovative way. The central arena was converted into a stage on two levels, while the Prommers sat in the orchestral seats and in the corresponding area at the

Members of the Birmingham Royal Ballet, with Chi Cao as the Soldier, enacted the drama in Oliver Hindle's fluent, expressive choreography. Paul Griffiths's witty, aptly colloquial translation was delivered by Simon Russell Beale in a narration that eschewed rhetoric and high-contrast dramatic inflection, creating its effect with subtle switches of vocal register and precision timing. The Birmingham Contemporary Music Group (Lyn Fletcher a virtuoso fiddler) provided a taut commentary under Daniel Harding - who, incidentally, becomes the youngest conductor ever to appear at

Rhetoric was abandoned rather less convincingly by the two male narrators. Michael Berkeley and Bernard Jacobson, in The Flood (receiving its Proms premiere), where the tongue-in-cheek humBBC PROMS

Stravinsky Day Albert Hall/Radio 3

our of the text needs to be projected with a touch of apocalyptic hyperbole. Mary King as Noah's Wife rose to the challenge, as did Robert Tear, David Wilson-Johnson and Stephen Richardson in the singing roles. Members of the BBC Symphony Orchestra under Oliver Knussen took their many tricky solos with anlowh, and the New London Chamber Choir also distinguished itself, not least in the "Igorian chant" (to borrow the composer's joke) of the Te Deum.

Under its director James Wood, the choir also gave polished performances of the Très Sacrae Cantiones (Stravinsky's arrangement of three sacred madrigals by Gesualdo) and of the Monumentum pro Gesualdo di Venosa ad CD annum, a further tribute to the Neapolitan master.

The Fairy's Kiss. Stravinsky's tribute to a later master. Tchaikovsky, received a suitably light-footed performance. Admittedly this is Tchaikovskian sentiment filtered through the Stravinskian intellect,

but for vibrant contrasts of tonal colour or affectionate sweeps of phrase one listened

The third concert began with another Proms premiere, the Cantata of 1952. As Richard Taruskin pointed out, in his thought-provoking inaugural BBC Proms Lecture the previous day, the Cantata contains a setting of an anti-Semitic verse all the more troubling for being made a few years after the Holocaust. The moral question should be raised whenever the work is performed, Taruskin argued Indeed, it is all too easy to overlook it especially when the piece is done with the elegance brought to it by the Taverner Choir under Andrew Parrott (Teresa Shaw and Neil Jenkins the soloists).

Those who lasted the marathon were rewarded with the most exhilarating performance of the day when Parrott conducted the Birmingham ensemble again in the Concerto for Piano and Wind Instruments. The soloist was Wayne Marshall, scintillating in his virtuosity, but always inspirational rather than merely mechanistic. His inventiveness spilt over into a breathtaking improvisation on themes of Stravinsky by way of an

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Paul Daniel conducted his massed forces - nearly 160 teenagers - with secure regard for the musical impetus behind what has often been called a piece of sound-sculpture. It presents iconoclastic ideas typical of their time in different lights. Stravinsky, and sometimes Debussy, are in there somewhere, but rethrough Varèse's fracted

of Gershwin songs sung by Sally Burgess, who scaled her lovely operatic mezzo to more modest dimensions while illuminating Ira Gershwin's words with telling inflections. But in standards like the wistful Someone to Watch Over Me and the little-heard Lorelei, with her most immoral eye", she needed a microphone to battle new orchestrations that made Gersh-

have followed than a handful

win sound unduly clotted. Demands for an encore brought a repetition of Slap That Bass, with the orchestra's principal player proving himself as good a bass-slapper as jazz legends like Ray Brown. An American in Paris was then dispatched with the requisite swing even from the oversized orchestra, although Gershwin is surely entitled to as much "authenticity" as. say, Handel.

In Stravinsky's The Rite of Spring Daniel was concerned to give due clarity to the instrumental character. To this end he was inclined to make it slow and cautious from the start. Even when assured of his young players' command it remained a lar from dramatic experience.

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creations St James Players/ **Bolton** Albert Hall/Radio 3

Startling

CREATION is one of the themes of this year's Proms, and the Creation itself was celebrated in a late-night concert by the St James's Baroque Players and Singers under Ivor Bolton, Barry Millington writes. Jean-Féry Rebel's Representation of Chaos from Les Elémens has one of the most striking openings in 18th-century music: a compression of all the notes of the octave into one chord. Bolton's realisation registered the anarchic effect without sensationalising it.

Rameau's overture to Zais treats a similar theme less iconoclastically. Yet the muffled drum strokes and abrupt key changes are arresting enough, especially when heard with the clarity afforded by period instruments. Graham Sadler's edition allowed

colours as never before, since the composer was obliged, by public taste, to substitute a more anodyne version for his original. We heard a remark-ably original tonal palette, dominated by the petites flutes (transverse Baroque piccolos, played admirably by Rachel Brown and Marion Moonen).

Rameau's grand motet In

convertendo recalis the composer's secular style, though there is more counterpoint than in his operas. Nowhere is this deployed better than in the finale, dispatched exhilaratingly by the St James's Singers and soloists. A mention is due for Guillemette Laurens and chorus member Helen Groves, who jointly stepped into the breach to take over from an indisposed Claron McFadden.

Laurens was also outstanding in Charpentier's Te Deum, given by an orchestra that included only one trumpet (the fine Mark Bennett), instead of the usual three or more. That is not the only difference that would have struck addicts of Eurovision. Bolton brought a dancing rhythm to the Prelude and several other sections - a subtler grandeur, perhaps, than the ceremonial with

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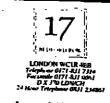
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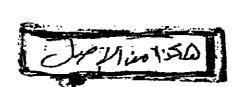
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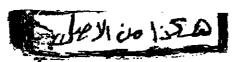


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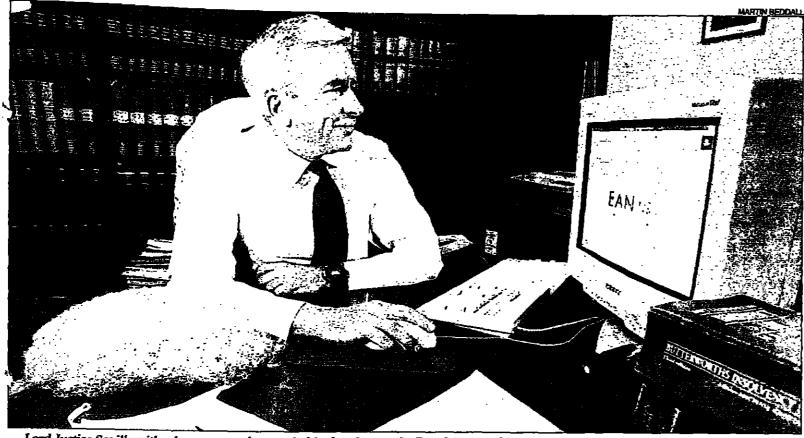
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The legal system is switching on to information technology, says Frances Gibb



Lord Justice Saville with wig, mouse and screen in his chambers at the Royal Courts of Justice. More than 300 judges now have computers

# Judges surf into court

the legal system is poised for a technological revolution. At the heart of his plans for a shake-up in civil justice is the wholesale computerisation of the civil courts. Lord Woolf's idea that judges should become trial managers, controlling the pace of cases and setting timetables, will go nowhere, he believes, without underpinng by the latest technology.

This, with the training of judges, is a first priority and "absolutely crucial". He says: The most important thing is to get the structure ready for the change behind the scenes. You have to get the judiciary organised and trained, and you have to have the technology in place. This is right at the forefront of the reforms."

Progress is not as swift as he signs of the legal profession abandoning its quill-and-pen image. Technology is now a vital tool used not only for running chambers and law firms but also increasingly by judges and lawyers themselves. It is used for research (for legal databases) and for drafting opinions, documents and contracts. Judges have also entered the computer age. More than 300 of them have been supplied with personal computers by the Lord Chancellor's Department. Some others write in their judg-

Lawyers have also hit the Internet. Some 50 law firms and about one dozen barristers or their chambers now have noticeboards advertising

their services on the net: one law firm. Fiddler & Pepper, in Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, has launched a conveyancing service there. The housebuyer or seller fills out a form on the firm's web site, the firm responds with a quotation as to charges and if it is acceptable, the transaction can proceed via e-mail. Another firm. Schilling & Lom, has used e-mail to serve an injunction. Judges, too, are linked via their own communications network, Felix, and

Yet a gap remains between what individual judges and lawyers are doing and the situation in the courts. The Court Service, the agency which runs the courts in England and Wales, is putting in place a Private Finance Initiative of £50 to 60 million Bids are in but the contract has not yet been awarded.

can chat about rulings.

Lord Woolf has expressed concern that the venture must be monitored, with strict safeguards, or else "policy, strate-gy and control of future developments" could be lost to a third-party private sector supplier. He accepts, however, that the venture also provides an "unparalleled opportunity" to create an "IT infrastucture

for the court system". Meanwhile, the courtroom of the future is taking off on other fronts. Smith Bernal, the court reporting firm, has already had huge success with its LiveNote instant computer transmission system. The firm won the official court reporting contract from the Lord Chancellor's Department to cover the Court of Appeal and Central Criminal Court for three years from April this year. Its LiveNote system has been used in several big trials here and abroad, including those of the Maxwell brothers and O.J. Simpson.

The system is a software program that provides instant transmission of the court proceedings on a screen within two seconds of the words being spoken. Judges and lawyers can mark, annotate and search the evidence for key words and obtain printouts of sections and full transcripts of the day's proceedings. The system has won the approval of judges such as Lord Justice Phillips (the Max-well trial judge) and Lord Justice Brooke, as well as others who have used it in complex fraud trials. The Serious Fraud Office is in favour.

The LiveNote system could just be the start. however. Smith Bernal has broken new ground with a video system which allows judges and lawyers to view the witness on the screen, alongside the text of the spoken evidence. The advantage is that any part of a witness's evidence may be frozen and replayed later. So the jury can be reminded of

what was said and how. The system would mean allowing video cameras into courts, but in England and Wales cameras are banned. Graham Smith, managing director of Smith Bernal, says: Some see this as one step towards allowing TV into

court. We don't agree. Our

view is that to have the record of court proceedings in video form as well as text form is much more informative and valuable to the trial parties and the judge."

the basis of spurious appeals.

Smith Bernal hope's that the

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Lord Woolf's report will

have given them a boost. His

vision goes far wider than

computerising court adminis-

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adequate funds will be forth-coming from the Treasury.

But as Lord Woolf puts it.

investment in appropriate

technology is "fundamental to

system" because it is likely to

be "a catalyst for future

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The big question is whether

prerecorded statements.

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period.

Such a video recording, made via a fixed camera, is digitised so it can be stored on a computer on either hard disc or CD and easily retrieved. "It is a much more powerful medium for reminding juries of the key passages," Mr Smith says. It could also prove of benefit in appeals where judges have sometimes had to deal with trial transcripts years old. Johnnie Cochran, O.J.

Simpson's lawyer, agrees. He says: "It's the cutting edge. Any trial lawyer wants to be at the forefront of any new technology . . . we already have used the LiveNote, and to have the video as well adds a new and better dimension. It has been said that a picture is worth a thousand words and if want to demonstrate the credibility of a witness, this

would be excellent." The credibility of witnesses was at the heart of the OJ. Simpson trial and Cochran says he would have loved to have been able to recall the moment when Simpson tried to pull on the gloves he allegedly used in his wife's murder.

The first step is likely to be its use in pre-irial hearings in the United States. Some judges in England are also positive. But they worry that counsel may take videos out of context in closing addresses, or that images of the judge's demeanour could be used as

#### as Lord Donaldson, then Master of the Rolls, stated on behalf of the Court of Appeal in 1991. The difficulties created and the interests served by judicial consideration of government claims about the security of the nation are examined in an important new "information is classified" book. The Day the Presses Stopped: A History of the Pentagon Papers Case, by David

Critical lesson of the

**Pentagon Papers** 

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In 1971, The New York Times and The Washington Post each obtained a copy of

large parts of the top-secret Pentagon Papers. a 7,000-page history (including original documents) of the United States' involvement in Vietnam from the 1940s to the late 1960s prepared by the Pentagon for its own purposes. The newspapers began to publish extracts, revealing how the American Government had misled the public about the purpose of the nation's involvement in South-East

Asia, and its likely duration and cost (in both financial and human terms). The Government sought an injunction claiming that the publication of these, and further extracts, would do irreparable harm to national security, especially when American troops were

still fighting the Vietnam War. The New York Times published the first extracts on June 12, 1971. After lower courts had granted interim orders restraining publication while the legal issues were considered, the Supreme Court decided on June 30 (by six votes to three) to deny the Government's claim for further injunctions. Of the six judges in the majority, two held that the First Amendment

to the United States Constitution (guaranteeing freedom of the press) prohibited any prior restraint at the suit of the Government; three others concluded that the Government had not satisfied the heavy burden of showing that publication would cause such damage to national security that an injunction should be granted; and the sixth judge found against the Government because Congress had not given it power to claim relief. The three dissenting judges argued that the courts should defer to the executive assessment of national security, and that insufficient time had been allowed for proper judicial consideration of the issues.

Professor Rudenstine describes (with narrative skill, and legal and political insight) the exciting — and often incredible — events, in the White House, in the newspaper offices. and in court. The claim for a temporary injunction against The New York Times in the US District Court started to go badly wrong when the judge (who was hearing his first ever case) was surprised to find that the Government had delivered 47 supposedly top-secret

n English law, "national security is the volumes to his chambers and left them exclusive responsibility of the executive", unguarded. The US Attorney sensibly asked unguarded. The US Attorney sensibly asked his government clients which parts of the study (much of which was anodyne or already in the public domain) were sensitive and why. so he could address argument on this subject. and was told, to his astonishment, that this

Despite the competition from Daniel Ellsberg (the source of the leak), Benjamin Bradlee (Executive Editor of *The Washington* Post), and others, the central character in this extraordinary drama was President Richard Nixon. He was goaded into litigation by his National Security Adviser, Henry Kissinger, telling him that he would otherwise appear a "weakling". The Pentagon Papers largely concerned policies of Nixon's Democratic pre-decessors, and the President told his staff that he wanted someone more "effective" than Bob Dole (then Republican Party chairman) to use extracts to attack the administrations of

Presidents Kennedy and Johnson. At one stage, Nixon, a lawyer, contemplated arguing the case himself before the Supreme Court "to indicate the importance" of the issues.

He was persuaded to leave the advocacy to his Solicitor-General, Érwin Griswold. Rudenstine does not include Griswold's story that, after the judgment, he was invited to a lunch at the White House. While shaking hands in the receiving line, he commented to the President that "we did not do so well in the Pentagon Papers case", whereupon Nixon "froze, and seemed to glare, saying nothing". Griswold quickly moved on.

As Professor Rudenstine ex-

plains, the Pentagon Papers case was a defining event in modern American politics. While victory in court conferred prestige and self-confidence on The Washington Post, President Nixon decided that if he could not protect himself from his "enemies" by legal means, he would resort to other, less scrupulous methods. These paths merged at Watergate. Publication of the Pentagon Papers exacerbated the national trauma of involvement in Vietnam, and confirmed the vital role of the press in exposing official incompetence and deceit.

There is no evidence that publication of the Pentagon Papers did in fact have any adverse effect on national security. The important lesson of the case is that, as elsewhere, unless judges apply their critical faculties, governments will make overbroad claims that deny fundamental rights to citizens.

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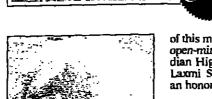
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#### **Good Bar** companion

A NEW edition of The Havers' Companion to the Bar, which broke new ground when first published in 1991 because barristers resented being asked to publicise personal details and charges, has just come out. Some things change: most barristers are now falling over themselves to give out information. Others don't: fees still remain a "nogo" area for many. Robert Seabrook, QC, for-

mer Bar chairman, who writes the foreword, says: There was initial hostility to the directory but most barristers now realise that to compete in the modern world, this kind of information is required." For details telephone:

Mackay's honour IN A move which will only confirm the opinions of hard-right Tory critics of Lord Mackay of Clashfern's divorce reforms, the Lord Chancellor



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Lord Mackay: reformer

reformer and a man of "deep humanity and liberalism" by Leicester University, which has made him an honorary doctor of law.

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Who can and can't sue for libel? Robin Lewis on how privatisation may change things in future





Mr Justice French, who halted a libel action by British Coal against the National Union of Mineworkers, and, right, Lamb and Botham, who lost their recent libel case

he recent ian Botham v Imran Khan libel match reminded everyone that libel actions are an option only for the rich. But there are other restrictions on who can sue for

The question of whether public bodies have a right to do so came up again at the end of June, when Mr Justice French halted the libel action which British Coal (formerly the National Coal Board) had brought against the National Union of Mineworkers.

The story goes as far back as early 1992, when British Coal's pension fund trustees voted, in the teeth of NUM opposition, not to pay employer contributions into the Mineworkers Pension Scheme. In the long run, this would have meant British Coal making no payments for a total of 11 years. saving the company more than

Throughout this period, working miners would have continued to pay employee contributions into the fund. Theft and robbery were among the epithets used in an article in the Yorkshire Miner to describe this decision. British Coal cued, claiming that the company

had been accused of dishonesty; not so, countered the union: the language used was no more than fair

The action took an unusually scenic route to reach its trial. British Coal's witnesses admitted that between October 1992 and April 1995, the company took no steps to move the case forward. Not

# A sticky wicket for fair comment

that British Coal was short of things to do: in the same period it disposed of all its pits and reduced its workforce from 59,000 (when the article was published) to 397 on the first day of the trial. It was, perhaps, these events which the judge had in mind when he commented that the case had "an element of unreality".

Fair comment apart, the union argued that British Coal does not have the capacity in law to sue for libel. It based the argument on a 1993 decision of the House of Lords. In that case, The Sunday Times had attacked the integrity of investment decisions made by Derbyshire County Council's Pension Fund. The council sued, as did its leader, David Bookbinder, and the businessman, Owen Oyston.

The newspaper paid damages to the two individuals, but argued that a local authority cannot sue for

The House of Lords agreed. In a democratic society, it said, a government body has to be open to criticism, uninhibited by the "chilling effect" of the libel laws. Not only is there no social need Lord Keith, but public interest demands that they should not be brought, because they "place an undesirable fetter on freedom of

Derbyshire was an elected council and the Lords had in mind that it would, in time, answer to the electorate. Who else would be covered by the same reasoning?

You can say what you like about your NHS hospital, but not about the privatised wards

Lord Keith made clear that the judgment would apply to what he variously described as "organs of government", "any governmental body exercising governmental functions", and, most expansively, "a corporate public authority". The ruling would not apply to individuals in the public service if they were individually libelled.

How then did Mr Justice French apply this to British Coal? He had heard a great deal of evidence about the statutory framework which has governed the coal industry since 1946. He accepted -particularly in the light of the Divisional Court's overruling of Michael Heseltine's pit closure programme in 1992 — that the Government exercises close ministerial control over the industry, and

It is easy to apply the Derbyshire principles to the traditional concept of government. A government department cannot sue, but a government minister can; Mr Bookbinder was entitled to damages as an individual: his council was not.

that these factors together render

British Coal a public authority of

the type which Lord Keith had in

Nor is it difficult to think of bodies in the public sector before 1979, and to say that the National Coal Board, the Milk Marketing Board or the Post Office all carried out governmental functions and therefore fell within the Derbyshire

Now move to the economy of

1996. A massive programme of privatisation and deregulation has created a network of quangos and semi-public bodies, which dwell on the cusp of the private and public

Some commercial companies carry out what used to be thought of as exclusively functions of government (running the prisons, sell-ing the water, mining the coal); many organs of government work closely with or depend upon the private sector; while some government departments seem determined to privatise themselves out

ord Keith ruled that freedom of speech demands that governmental bodies take public criticism without going to the libel court. Yet anomalies and ironies abound. The NUM could comment robustly on British Coal without fear of a libel action, but now that the English pits have been bought by RJB Mining, it may have to be more circumspect.

You can say what you like about your local NHS hospital, but not about the wards whose services are run by limited companies. We must all hope in the long run that the Derbyshire approach prevails, and that the chilling effect of the libel laws on public debate of the public services does not turn out to be one of the unthought-of consequences of privatisation. • The author is a partner with

# Help yourself by helping others

Edward Fenneli looks at mutual

assistance between legal firms

There will be few senior partners in middle-ranking firms who will be relaxing on their holidays with a light heart. The big outfits in the City may have returned to prosperity but it is still tough for the smaller to medium-sized firms in the regions. Some of their most experienced lawyers will spend their time away agonising over how they can survive in the face of changes to legal aid and increasing competition over fees.

The loneliness of many law firms adds to their difficulties. As one senior partner put it: "If you're in difficulties as a lawyer you don't tell other lawyers about it." One answer is to pool anxieties with like-minded peers who pose no threat. Peter Collier, the chairman of LawGroup UK, which has more than 80 members, says: "The partners of these firms may have good legal skills but their business man-

agement ability is limited." A typical ex-ample concerns chargeable hours. Mr Collier says: "Some law firms get

from their lawyers. We found that many of our members achieved up to 1,300 hours. The means of doing this were pinpointed and passed on to the rest

chargeable

quality — and quality is clearly going to be the issue which will determine the survival of many firms. The cross-fertilisation of ideas and experiences may be one of the only ways of improving performance. The Solicitors Information Group (SIG), with nine firms in the South East and Midlands, is now gearing up for similar forms of mutual help, having just appointed Simon Bray, of Nelson's Practice Development, as management

lan Condrington, senior partner of Sharman & Trethewy, a

group member, says that networks such as SIG enable the smaller firm to plug into wider experience. As well as having a consultant on European law. SIG enables members to advise each other on topics such as computerisation and financial

Mr Bray believes that this free and informal exchange of information should now be extended and systematised. "Unlike many groups which are concerned with marketing, SIG is solely interested in providing a relaxed exchange of information among firms which are not competing with each other."

For many medium-sized regional firms the real crunch comes in their ability to pass the quality thresholds being imposed on them by their clients. Chief among these is the Legal Aid Board. Unlike many lawyers, the members of LawGroup are positive about the LAB's

awarding The loneliness of franchises.

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of the group."

Mr Collier sees efficiency as

being an essential ingredient for

approach to Peter War-Law-Group's senior

practice consul-

tant, says: "I am

afraid that the Law Society has been left standing on the issue of quality in law firms. We shall continue to work closely with the Legal Aid Board to help to improve the quality standards of the profession." So maybe slackness elsewhere is allowing a minority of lawyers

to surge ahead. But the catch is that firms have to improve their performance to gain admission to mutual-help groups. Member-ship of SIG is by invitation only. LawGroup lays down tough entry requirements. After all. there is no point in opening the doors to firms who have nothing to contribute.

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A-level pass rate takes another ▼ ▼ leap as expected on Thursday, one thing is unfortunately easy to predict. The results will be bad news for many students, since research shows that about half of all the grades forecast by schools are over-optimistic.

In a survey of six subjects by the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (Ucas), it was found that 30 per cent of predictions were wrong by a factor of two or more grades.

The vagaries of this system have led the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals to propose a twin-track system for the future, which would allow some students to choose to wait until they get their grades before they apply for courses. But the question that many will again ask this vear is whether the odd C instead of a B will make that much difference when it comes to university entry.

The answer very much depends on both course and university. Vicky Forest is assistant registrar at Durham University. She says: "Such is our popularity that the vast percentage not only make the grades we ask for but exceed them. However, there are times when we do have a problem filling our quotas in certain subjects, and then two Bs and a C might do instead of three Bs. but we are not interested in straying too far from our specified standards."

The difficulties arising from students not making their grades and universities changing their entry requirements weeks before the courses start are confusing for the schools. It would be easier if university places were offered after Alevel results were known.

Margaret Callum is head of the sixth form at South Hampstead High School for Girls in north London. She says: "We know that if Trinity, Cambridge, says three As to read law then it is three As or nothing. However, at most universities modern languages have been dropping at least two grades from their

It is a totally chaotic system and very unfair. The universi-

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Countdown to a university place: students at Woolwich College scan the list of A-level results to find their grades

found their course through the

clearing system, which caters

largely for those who do not

make the grades for their first

that they are not the only ones

trying for places at universi-

ties. In the sciences especially,

universities can often find better qualified students from

At Aberdeen and Birming-

ham, universities there is a

similar feeling of not wanting

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Applicants must remember

# ABC of how to make the grade

ties give out very mixed sig-nals about what you should do if you just miss your grades. They say do not pester, but we have had girls who did and were told they had got the place because they showed such interest."

Sandy Tittershill is the deouty head at Blue Coat School, Liverpool, and deals with Ucas. He says: "There are the courses with entry requirements written in stone and there are many, especially at the newer universities, which are more flexible. Our experience is that all our students who want to go to university do go even if it means shopping around. My advice to those who do not get the grades for their first choice is

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education report this Thursday and begins a daily service of up-todate course vacancies. which will run throughout the recruitment period.

keep trying, there is a place for you somewhere,"

That is an optimistic view. Last year Ucas reported that 420,000 people tried for a university place and only 290,000 were successful. Of

good the odd dropped grade in requirements for history or English might be acceptable. New universities take a different line. Kingston felt

that a B could become a C and still be acceptable for architecture, whereas for engineering and science courses two Cs could well be reduced to two Ds when it came to filling its

ome universities also relax specified grades certain subjects. Durham admits that if it asked for an ABC and the student got the A in the wrong subject, that could still be satisfactory, bearing in mind that the difference between grades can be as little as one or two marks.

The best advice for those disappointed by their results but determined to secure a university place is not to plan a holiday, but to reassess all options including retakes, a year off and clearing, with the help of The Times this Thursday and from next Monday, when full course-vacancy list-

# Can students afford to take a year out?

cloud hangs over the prospect of taking a year off before univ ersity for students who want to travel, earn money or retake A levels. The skies are gloomy because of tuition

top-up" fees. No British universities at present charge students directly for course tuition, apart from the private Buckingham University, where stu-dents pay £14.568 for their two-year degree.

However, vice-chancellors have threatened to introduce a £300 levy for all students starting in October 1997, unless higher education cuts imposed in last year's Budget are restored by the Chancellor this November.

There are also signs that some of the country's most popular institutions could be preparing their own fees from 1997, whatever happens in the Budget.

Students starting this year would be exempt from both these possibilities. So should that influence their decision on whether to take a year off. especially if their results are worse than expected when published on Thursday? Taking a year off simply to travel has be-

come less popular as university living costs increase, but many school-leavers still organise a combination of travel and work to gain extra funds for

the lean years ahead. Those who have planned this carefully by applying for deferred entry are unlikely to find themselves charged a course fee in 1997. This is because universities are bound to consider not only legal but moral obligations towards their students, and deferred-entry students have accepted their places on the basis of free tuition. The National Union of Students has pledged to help any

New course fees may force them to forget seeing the world before university, says

**David Charter** 

Student backpackers may face an expensive return

The LSE may need to charge students £850 a year to make up for government cuts

> students to fight the sudden imposition of fees. What about students con-

> sidering a year off for retakes? Admissions officers always advise students to take up a place through clearing if they can, as retakes can often be disappointing. The London School of

Economics has discussed top-up fees in principle. It might need to charge £850 a year to make up for governassistant registrar at the LSE says: There has not been a decision made about fees. We are thinking about it, like a lot of other universities, because of the widespread feeling that we cannot continue to maintain quality of experience for students on the present level of government funding."

The LSE expects to make clear statement on the likelihood of fees for 1997 as near as possible to the start of next year's application process, on September I.

Birmingham attracted media interest after it was said to be considering an annual fee of £700. A spokesman said that top-up fees would be considered if "the worst came to the worst" after the Budget. He added: "It would not

be a flat fee. It would be related to the money we need to raise, demand for each course and the cost of each course. Nor would we do it on our own. It would be in the company of a group of similar universities.

The Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals is taking legal advice on whether fees can be

charged once the application process starts. Even if it recommended a E300 entry levy for 1997, far from all universities would implement it. The

split would be largely along new and old university lines. One senior university official told The Times: "Only universities in a market position to justify it could

charge top-up fees."
Only popular universities
can risk putting off some applicants with a charge. Privately, most think that it will be too late to make an announcement after November's Budget for fees to

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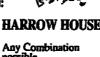


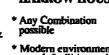
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PARALYMPICS: BRITISH ATHLETE MAKES RAPID PROGESS TO RAISE HOPES OF A MEDAL IN ATLANTA

# PARALYMPICS: BRITISH ATHLEIE III. Juniper sprints to disaster into track triumph

he ethos of the Olympics, we are told, is one that values the act of participation over all others, narticularly the winning. If that is still the case today, then the remarkable recovery from injury made by Matthew Juniper, a Cambridge University student, in order to compete in the Paralympic Games, which open in Atlanta on Thursday, could not be more poignant.

Just 20 months ago, Juniper, 23. was recuperating in Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge, having shattered his right leg while playing in an inter-college rugby match. So severe was the break that the leg ultimately had to be amputated from the knee down, a loss which doctors mitially predicted would prevent him from undertaking any strenuous exercise again.

Indeed, anyone entering his hospital room at the time and telling him that less than two years later he would be clocking 12.4sec for the 100 metres would themselves have been advised to seek medical attention. Yet that is exactly what has happened.

What no one accounted for was Juniper's determination to prove people wrong and to ceturn to as normal a lifestyle as possible. He recalls that one particular letter of support sent to his home in Oxford, as he recovered from the amputation with the help of his parents and sister, epitomised what he felt he had to do.

The letter quoted Kipling's "If", which contains a line about meeting with triumph disaster and "treating imposters just the "Even when I was waiting to be anaesthetised for my amputation, I knew that no amount of moaning was going to bring my leg back. Now, every time I do something I am not expected to do. I feel I have in some way turned disaster into triumph." he

John Cassy meets a university student who was setting national records within five months of having his leg amputated

For someone so determined to prove the doubters wrong, and overcome something as disabling as an amputation, the 100 metres sprint, which symbolised almost everything he had been told he could no longer do, presented the ultimate challenge. Having run the 400 metres competitively at prep school, he was confident it was a challenge he could meet. His doctor put him in touch with the British Amputees and Les Autres Sports Association (BALASA) last October: he has been

training with them ever since. Juniper's progress has been startling. Within five months he had shaved nearly one

The final adjustments are made to the leg designed for sprinting

second off the previous British record for a leg amputee running the 100 metres and. within eight months, he was in the British Paralympic team bound for Atlanta.

Injuries to calf and thigh muscles, which found it difficult to come to terms with the special leg he uses for run-ning, have subjected him to even more pain. It has, however, been worth it.

"It has been a fantastic experience, although being selected for the Olympic squad was a surprise because I'm so new to the scene and still have a long way to go," Juniper said. "Being so recent an amputee also has its problems as the unstable nature of the stump can sometimes cause the running leg to begin to wobble off during a race, but, with time and training, I think can break the 12-second barrier. It would be pushing it to do it at Atlanta, but by Sydney in the year 2000, who

Deter Arnott, the coach at BALASA, who has witnessed Juniper's remarkable progress at first hand, feels that by 2000 the engineering student should be looking beyond the competing to the winning. He said: "Matthew has a very good chance of being in the medals at Atlanta, which for someone who is really preparing for Sydney is a fantastic bonus.

We never want to put any athlete under too much pressure, but, seeing his determination and allowing another year's training, I would expect his time to fall below 11.5sec. Given that the current world record stands at 11.4, he is a fantastic prospect.



Juniper, the British Paralympic sprinter, puts his new competition leg to the test

**RUGBY LEAGUE** 

# **Britain selectors** face doubts over Wigan pair

By Christopher Irvine

WHEN the selectors sat down yesterday to pick the Great Britain party to tour Papua New Guinea, Fiji and New Zealand next month, one of several difficulties they encountered was not knowing whether two players who should be automatic choices

can participate.

Jason Robinson and Gary Connolly will be named today in the 32-strong squad. Phil Larder, the Great Britain coach, was adamant that the two Wigan backs, both experienced international players, should be included, yet their contracts with the Australian Rugby League (ARL) appear to prohibit them from representing their country.

Connolly and Martin Hall, another Wigan player con-tracted to play in Australia from next year, were both withdrawn from the world nines tournament by the ARL in Fiji last February. They and Robinson were allowed to take part in the recent European championship, but they are unlikely to receive dispensa-tion by the ARL to tour for five

If Connolly does not tour he may be able to play rugby union for Harlequins in the Courage Clubs Champion-ship. The west London club has inquired about his availability to appear for them this winter. The Rugby Football League (RFL) has asked clubs not to release players to rugby union who have signed loyalty contracts with the Super League without its permission, but as an ARL aligned player, it has no jurisdiction over Connolly.

The problem is symptomatic of the mess the game is in at international level. There is no likelihood of it being cleaned up until after the appeal verdict, in Sydney later this year, against the ban on Super League in Australia until 2000. The ban was responsible for the lucrative Australia leg of the tour being cancelled. Sir Rodney Walker, the RFL

chairman, yesterday called for peace talks with the ARL. whatever the court verdict. "International rugby is the platform for expansion and we must find a way of re-establishing great international fixtures of the past," he said.

rugby league, and I believe that applies to people in Australia, recognise that the longer the dispute goes on, the

greater the damage." There is speculation that Martin Offiah, at 30, might not be included, in which case he will be free to concentrate on his winter rugby union activities at Bedford, and that the accent in the party will be on youth. At 21, Andrew



Offiah: may be omitted

Farrell, the Wigan forward, will become the youngest tour captain. Although he has been ostracised by Warrington, lestyn Harris, the subject of much interest from rugby union clubs, notwithstanding a £1.35 million price tag. has been assured of his tour place. Warrington might not want him at stand-off half, but

Larder apparently does.

Meanwhile, Wigan do not intend to get permission from the RFL for players to go to union in winter. Va'aiga Tuigamala and Henry Paul are close to taking up shortterm deals with Wasps and

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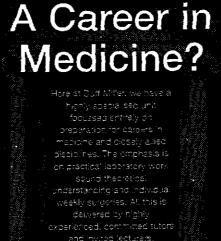
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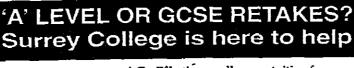
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# Villeneuve sets sights on Hill in title duel

JACQUES VILLENEUVE had a plane to catch. He garage at the Hungaroring, pursued by a camera crew, his girlfriend and his manager. He said his goodbyes to Frank Williams, the team owner. and hurried towards his car. He stopped to answer just one question, about whether he could force the drivers' world championship down to the wire. That's the plan," he

An hour earlier, his narrow win over his team-mate, Damon Hill, in the Hungarian Grand Prix had cut the Englishman's lead over him in the race for the title to 17 points. In the process, it tore away any vestiges of team restraints that might have prevented a fight to the linish between the two of them.

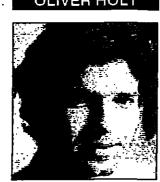
Nobody can catch Williams in the constructors' champion-ship now, nor can Hill or Villeneuve be caught by any other driver, no matter how destructive their rivalry becomes in the last four races of the season. The two of them have carte blanche to battle it out and the hard edges are already beginning to show.

"It would be nice if Damon had a few mishaps between now and the end of the season," Villeneuve said, "but it is impossible to predict that sort of thing. All he has to do. even if I win every race, is to finish second, so the odds are against me - but I will fight right to the end."

Villeneuve's manager, Craig Pollock, was even more optimistic I think Damon has got a problem, because the championship is going all the way." he said. "Jacques has been to Monza, Estoril and Suzuka and he will be good at all three. He does not know Spa, but it is the type of circuit that should suit him. He is going to get better and

better. Villeneuve and his entourage, though, have a healthy respect for Hill that is reciprocated by the Englishman. They have become friends as well as rivals in the time they their relationship does not smaller and smaller.

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appear to be infused with the suffocating tension that dogs so many Formula One partnerships. Even when he knows Villeneuve will be going flat out to try to deprive him of the goal that he has striven so hard to achieve. Hill predicted yesterday that their amicable behaviour was unlikely to degenerate.

"I do not think there will really be any extra pressure on our relationship," Hill said, after a promotional visit to Varna, in Bulgaria. "Jacques is not the sort of guy who is about to try and aggravate things. We both have a dig at each other now and again, but in the best possible spirit.

Nevertheless, of course want to win the world championship. I deserve it and I have worked very hard for it. I am going to hang on to the lead I have got until the grim end. Jacques is getting closer to me in competitive terms and inevitably he is going to get more attuned to Formula One the longer he is in it, so it will be tough. All things being equal, though, he is going to have to make a quantum leap in order to beat me consistently."

Hill returned to his wife and family, who are holidaying in the south of France, last night for a short break. He will travel to Barcelona later in the week to take over from Villeneuve for the second half of a four-day test. The Englishman is likely to use it for practising the starts that have let him down so badly in recent races. With his team-mate closing in.



Villeneuve gets the celebrations under way in traditional style from the winners' rostrum at the Hungaroring

**EQUESTRIANISM:** OLYMPIC CHAMPION TO TEST STRENGTH IN RESERVE

# Tait expectations tempered for trials

By JENNY MACARTHUR

BLYTH TAIT, winner of the individual Olympic three-day event gold medal in Atlanta, has returned from a celebratory week in his native New Zealand to compete with a new international prospect, the ten-year-old thoroughbred Derby, in the Everdon Horse Trials in Northamptonshire

The event, one of the oldest in the calendar, has a 330strong entry divided among seven classes. The open intermediate section has attracted a formidable array of international riders including two former Olympic champions have been team-mates and the margin for error is getting Tait's compatriot, Mark Todd, jointly by Team Toggi and Ian competed in a three-day event showjumping, we'll be having

Britain's Olympic team -William Fox-Pitt, Karen Dix-

on and Gary Parsonage. Tait, 35, who flew back from New Zealand on Sunday, was "overwhelmed" by the reception that he received there. "I was flown up to my home town of Pukekohe and there was a street parade and II.000 people waiting," he said. "It was amazing. I didn't think anything like that was going to happen.

With his Olympic champion, Ready Teddy, now enjoying a month's holiday. Tait is concentrating on the newcomers in his string. Derby, New Zealand-bred and owned and Matt Ryan, of Australia - McKenzie, was brought over since the world champion- a go," he said.

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and three members of Great two years ago, but had last year off after rupturing a tendon.

Tait, who has had double clear rounds with him in his three previous open intermediate sections, said that he does not expect to win, but he regularly dismisses his chances: before Atlanta, he said that Ready Teddy was "too young and inexperi-enced" for him to have any serious medal hopes.

Dixon has the most experienced horse in the class in the outstanding Get Smart, a member of Britain's Olympic team in Seoul and Barcelona, but dropped from the Atlanta squad because he has not

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ships in The Hague in 1994. It will be the 16-year-old gelding's first outing since the spring. "He's feeling great, he's just a bit fat," Dixon said yesterday. If he goes well today, and at the Scottish championships at Thirlestane next weekend, Dixon will ride

him at Burghlev next month. Todd has three rides, headed by Lady Carole Bamford's Vambi Charboniere. The nineyear-old gelding has not proved the easiest of rides -Todd had a fall with him at Brigstock in April - but seventh place at Hartpury on Sunday has given Todd confidence. "If he's in contention after the dressage

#### SPORT IN BRIEF Small dropped for Durban encounter

SOUTH Africa yesterday dropped James Small from their rugby union side to play New Zealand in Durban on Saturday. Small faces a disciplinary hearing after allegedly being in a nightchub at 2am last Friday, the day before South Africa's 29-18 defeat by the All Blacks in Cape Town. In another controversial move, the selectors have included Henry Tromp, the Northern Transvaal hooker, who served a pricon controversian for assault in 1002 a prison sentence for assault in 1993.

Tromp is one of two new caps and comes in at the expense of John Allan. Andre Venter is the other, replacing François Pienaar, the captain, who was concussed during the defeat at Newlands. Gary Teichmann, the No 8, takes over from Pienaar as captain while Andre Joubert returns from injury to take Small's place at full back. Johan Roux replaces Joost van der Westhuizen at scrum half and Hannes Strydom takes over at lock from Steve Atherton. Justin Swart comes in on the right wing, with Pieter Hendriks back in his

#### First win for Klein

GOLF: Emilee Klein. 22. won the first LPGA tournament of her career when she overhauled Karrie Webb, of Australia, in the Ping Welch's Championship at Canton, Massachusetts, yesterday. Klein became the third first-time winner on the LPGA Tour this year, joining Webb, 2I, and Joan Pitcock, She returned a seven-under-par 65 for a four-round total of 273. Klein started the day two shots behind Webb, but birdies at three of the first four holes gave her a lead that she never surrendered. "This is incredible," Klein said. "I've been up there before and let it slip away. I made just about everything today. I've been waiting for this."

#### Taylor withdraws

CRICKET: Mark Taylor. right, has pulled out of the tour of Sri Lanka this month to have a back operation. The Australia captain aggravated a long-standing injury during recent pre-season training. Ian Healy, the vice-captain, is expected to take over for the limitedovers tournament involving Sri Lanka, India and Zimbabwe. However, the Australian Cricket Board has yet to commit itself formally to taking part in the tournament.



#### Woe for Walker

GOLF: Sam Walker, a finalist 12 months ago, was knocked out of the British Boys Open Championship in the first round at Littlestone yesterday. The 18-year-old from ( Maxstone Park in Warwickshire was beaten 7-5 by Oliver Cole, the Gloucester boys captain, in a match that was interrupted by a five-hour delay caused by the thunderstorms that hit the Kent coastline. Walker, who gained the half-point that clinched the boys' home international series for England last week, was plagued by driving problems.

#### Butler tops the table

CYCLING: Gethin Butler, the Great Britain all-round timetrial champion for the past two years, has gone to the top of the three-distance table in this year's competition with a ride of 295.640 miles to win the North Midlands CF 12-hour event. It is the second greatest mileage covered in a half-day trial in Britain; only Glenn Longland has gone further, when he set the national record of 300.08 miles in 1991. Butler now has an average speed of 27.225mph for events over 50 miles, 100 miles and 12 hours.

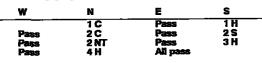
# • HEEHAN on BRIDGE

By ROBERT SHEEHAN, BRIDGE CORRESPONDENT Love all **♦K74** ♥Q 2 **◆K** 5 **4KQJ983** •Q J 5 2 ♥10 6 4 410 9 8 3 YA 3 +10 8 6 2 OAQJ7 - S **±10 6 4** 4A 6 ♥K J 9 8 7 5

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Only one East player got the defence right on this deal from an early round of last year's Gold Cup. It would have proved a blind spot for many players.



Contract: Four Hearts by South. Lead: two of disa

WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

South's Two Spades was a safe exploratory move (it was unlikely that North would raise after his rebid of Two Clubs) and paved the way for a forcing Three Hearts which, if it had been bid immediately. would have been taken as only

invitational West's lead of the two of diamonds was covered by the king and ace to leave East on play with a problem. One defender, perhaps optimistically playing his partner for the ace of clubs and less in spades and being able to judge (from the fourth highest lead) that declarer still held two more losing diamonds, continued with ace and another trump. As a result South came to II tricks.

**MUNDUNGUS** 

c. Stinking tobacco

a. To wish mildly

c. With scalloped edges

a. An evil spirit

b, A midden

**VELLICATE** 

b. To twitch

The other East, after winning with the ace of diamonds, found a much better switch he played back the three of hearts, thus keeping control of the trump suit. This finished declarer's chances - if he led a second diamond East would win, draw dummy's second trump, and cash the setting trick in diamonds. If instead declarer started playing on clubs, West would be able to

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DASYPHYLLOUS

REDHIBITION

a. Nullification

c. Showing off

a. Having shaggy leavesb. Loving daisies

c. Impervious to syphilis

b. A second exhibition

Answers on page 46

ruff the third round and the

defenders would still have a

trump and a diamond to

# KEENE on CHESS

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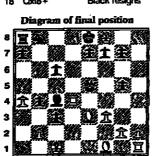
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BY RAYMOND KEENE CHESS CORRESPONDENT Spectacular finishes

Here are two games with spectacu-lar finishes from the British championship at Nottingham. In one, the black king falls victim to a sudden checkmate: in the other. the white king is hounded to its doom at the furthest extremity of the board.

White: Chris Ward Black: Aaron Summerscale

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3	Nc3	dxc4
1	e4	b5
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3	Nb1	Ba6
7	NG	Nf6
3	e5	Nd5
,	Ng5	h6
	Qh5	hxg5
2	Chth8	Nf4
?	Be3	Qd5
3	13	Ne6
ı	Nd2	Nxd4
Š	0-0-0	. с3
;	Nc4 ·	Bxc4
7	Rxd4	Qxe5
3	Cxf8+	Black resigns



White: Greeme Buckley Black: Jonathan Parker British Championship, August 1996

By Raymond Keene

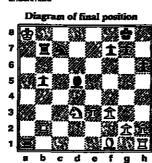
White to play. This position is

from the game Balinov — Cebalo, Graz 1996. In this

position White won with a

highly unusual tactical idea.

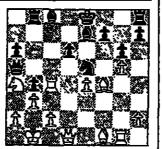
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WINNING MOVE

Can you see it?



EXETER: British veterans champlonships (winners): Ment: 200m: S Peters (Havant) 22 40sec. 800m: D Anderson (Mann) Inini 57 51sec 10,000m: M Ginvan (Wamngon) 31min 36 08sec. 3,000m steeplechase: D Carmgion (Sale) 9min 58 92sec. 110m hurdes: R Honey (Brott) 15 8sec. High jump: R Smith (Newham and Essex Beagles) 1 70m. Triple jump: G Gallegher (GEC Anonics) 13,05m. Shott M Fenton (Newham and Essex Beagles) 1 70m. Triple jump: G Gallegher (GEC Anonics) 13,05m. Shott M Fenton (Newham and Essex Beagles) 1 70m. Triple jump: G Gallegher (GEC Anonics) 13,05m. Shott M Fenton (Newham and Essex Beagles) 1 70m. Triple jump: G Gallegher (GEC Anonics) 13,05m. Shott M Fenton (Newham and Cases: B Boom: A Tumpigion (Cambridge and Colendige) 2min 19,51sec. 10,000m: 2 Marchard (City of Betti) 36ma 30 30cec. 100m hurdles; J Brown (Astriord) 16 40sec. High; jump: Brown 1 66m. Discus: C Cameron (City of Glasgowi 40 28m. Javetin: A Hounton (Cardiff) 23,94m. 5km walk: A Lewis (Aldershot, Farrham and District) 27:122.29 (British record). Over-40; Discus: J Whight (Brash-reii) 41.14m. Over-45; 200m: V Bonner (Aldershot and Famham) 26.47 soc (British record). Over-66; 80m hurdles; C Graham (Wokung) 16 69sec (British record). Over-66; 80m hurdles; C Graham (Wokung) 16 69sec (British record). Over-66; 80m hurdles; C Graham (Wokung) 16 69sec (British record). Over-66; 80m hurdles; C Graham (Wokung) 16 69sec (British record). Over-670; 200m; M Stono (Altincham) 33 19sec (world record).

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AMERICAN LEAGUE: Texas 6 Toronto 0; New York 12 Detrot 0; Chicago 8 Boltimoro 5; Boston 2 Milwaukec 0; California 6 Kansas Cay 5; California 9 Cleveland 3, Minnesota 6 Seattle 3 METHODA O COMME L. NATIONAL LEAGUE: MORRORI 4 Chicago NATRUMMU, LEMBOURE, MOUNTAGES - IN ANGULA 3 (in 10 mmngs); Houston 10 Philadolphie 5, Sen Dego 7 Pitisburgh 5; Loe Angeles 10 Cincurnal 5, St Lous 5 Sen Francisco 3; New York 5 Flonda 3; Atlanta 4 Colorado 1

**BOWLS** 

LEAMBNGTON SPA: Women's world outdoor championships: Singles: Fourth
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(Malos) bi L James (Swaz) 25-90: J Paccock (SA) bi A Smon (Guer) 25-12; M Porter (W Samos) bi R Pesera (Singa) 25-19: A
Nivala (Can) bi A Chau (H/Q 25-17: D Ivos
(Spi) bi N Yoshmono (Jepan) 25-8: W Fong
(Aus) bi L K Olok (PNG) 25-13 Group lour.
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Undores (Scot) bi J Joubert (Nam) 25-14:
W Line (Eng) bi M Like (Zan) 25-22-8
Anderson (Botswane) bi M Taylor (Hot)
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25-21: D Paramir (Cook Eslands) bi R Barares (US) 25-20: M Vasques (Any) bi N Ismai (Malaysa) 25-24; C Howard Williams
(Zm) bi M Johnston (Iro) 25-24 Fours
Fourth round: Group one: England (N

FOR THE RECORD Macken, Ire) clear 40 90sec; 2, Tees Hanauer (R Smith, GB) clear 40.96; 3, La Ina (P Charles, Ire) lour faults 39.96.

FOOTBALL

BELGIAN LEAGUE: Horelbeke 2 Ekeren 3: Lierse 2 FC Brugge 2; Genik 3 Standard Lege 1: Mouscron 2 Lokeren 1: Anderlecht 6 Lommel 0; Cerde Brugge 1 Alost 2; Antwerp 3 Mechelen 2; Gent 3 Charlerol 1; Sami-Trond 0 FWD Molenbeck 2.

GERMAN CUP: Pirst round: Werder Bremen 1 8ayer Leverlusen 1 (aet; Bremen won 5-3 on pens) ARGENTINIAN LEAGUE: Independiente 1

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BRAZILIAN LEAGUE: Alletico Minelno 1

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Hurmanerse 1 Bragamitho 0; Golas Alletico

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CRICKET MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP first day of heo); Duristable: Bedfordshire 237-2 (W Larkins 101no, G P Swarm 86). Cumbertend 92-7. Heritord: Heritordshire 243-4 St Fletcher 131), Lincoinshire 43-2 St Fagans: Dorsel 192-9 (R J Scott 55) v Wales. Cowley: Oxfordshire 13-2 v Herofordshire.

TRIE TRIALS: Cleveleys RC (Garstang, Lancashire. 100 miles): 1. C Miller (Cleveleys PC) 3hr 54 38-sc; 2, G Nontand (Feam Aspoto): 402-47; 3, P Leigh (Kent Callwy RG 4-10 17 Toam Fean Valley RC 12-57-43. Vorkshire CF (Sinderby, North Yorkshre, 30m): 1, H Walfer (GS Metro): 57-36 (British rocord), 2, L Holmes (Monley CC): 100-53; 3, B Walter (GS Metro): 101: 11 Team GS Motho; 303:09 (British record). Rhyl CC (Abergele, 25m): 1, P Whittell (VC Haltori): 53:16, 2, C Lesie (British rocord). Rhyl CC (Abergele, 25m): 1, P Whittell (VC Haltori): 53:16, 2, C Lesie (British rocord). Rhyl CC (Abergele, 25m): 1, Smb) (Old Porthans CC): 53:23, 2, P Hamilton (34 Norrects): 56:00: 3, P Fox (Gathurck Aipport CT): 56:55: Toam: Lewes Wanderers 2:58:43. CIT account Feathers for Product South Volcarion RC) at 1.0 Date of Contract Rice Trophy (Kingston on Soar, Nottinghamshuc, 130km) 1, P Wilkes (Bradgate RC) 3 02-50; 2, M Lovad (Optimum Purformance RT) same time; 3, S Garnible (Actifield RC) at 52-sec Mike Binks Memorial (Nowby, North Yorkshiro, 89m) 1, P Curran (Optimum Performance RT) 3:17-25, 2, C Newton (North Wirral Volo) at 1-10, 3, D Cook (Middingo CRT) same time Maitby CC (Thursoit, South Yorkshiro, 83m) 1, D Moraleo (Featherstone RC) 2:17-04; 2, A Chapmun (Featherstone RC) 2:17-04; 2, A Chapmun (Featherstone RC) at 36:sec.

**EQUESTRIANISM** IRELAND: Dublin Horse show: Karrygold International: 1, FAN Schaldraar (E

POOLS FORECAST Seturday August 17

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42 Dunfintine v Ranger
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48 St Johnston v Falkark
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**MOTOR RACING** 

**REAL TENNIS** HOBART, Tesmania: Australian Open (Australia unless stated): Merr Doubles Charier-finals: M Gooding (GB) and F Filipelli bl B MacFarlane and M Happell 6-2, 6-0, 6-0: J Snow (GB) and N Wood (GB) bt A Mickelburough and S Vigora 6-0, 6-0, 6-2. Semi-final: R Fahey and P Meares bt G Hyland and B Dale 6-4, 6-3, 6-1 Women: Singles: Semi-final: J Edwards bt B Baler 6-3, 3-5, 6-5 Doubles: First round: K Loarnen (GB) and J Edwards bt K Toetes and H Barweck 6-1, 6-0.

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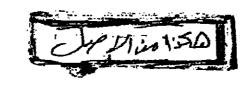
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Birmingham 3,265, County Teams of four;
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192); 3 J Milre (City of Birmingham, 569,
Class B: 1, J Nichol (Marton) 557; 2, J
Martow E U Ahurn) 547; 3, R Spicer (City
Of Birmingham, 547, Class C: 1, T Garrey
(Basingystole) 530; 2, A Roberts (Rupeletin)
528, 3, J Thorson (Appletin) 528, Class D:
1, B Alustan (Furbinding Wels) 534; 2, J
Kalirowski (Swindon) 514; 3, R Romie
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**RUGBY LEAGUE** AUSTRALIAN PREMERSHIP: Parrameti 18 Newcastle 16. SPEEDWAY

CONFERENCE LEAGUE: Buston 58 Ryde 20: Milden Hall 41 Berndek 37

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SAILING LOOE, Comwalt: Enterprise world champ-ionship: First race: 1, 1 Pinnet; 2, G Carvett: 3, M Holmes, Second race: 1, 1 Princt; 2, J Lee; 3, 1 Fisher.



RACING: LEADING JOCKEY RETURNS IN TRIUMPH SIX MONTHS AFTER HORRIFIC FALL IN HONG KONG

# Swinburn makes perfect comeback

By RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

SIX months and a day after suffering a life-threatening fall in Hong Kong. Walter Swinburn rose at dawn yesterday, went for a long walk and offered up a prayer as he prepared for his long-awaited comeback ride. "I just asked God to make sure the day went good, and if he thought i was worthy of it, to give me a winner. Otherwise, if not, so

Shortly after 3.30pm, the prayers of the three times Derby-winning jockey were answered. Talathath may not be a Shergar or Lammtarra, but, for the 35-year-old jockey. the four-year-old gelding, trained by Chris Dwyer will always have a special place in his affections after carrying him to an emotional victory in the Royal Bank of Scotland Handicap at Windsor.

Having recovered from seven crushed ribs, a smashed collar-bone, a fractured shoulder blade and badly damaged lungs, before facing an uphill battle to regain his riders' licence, the success was, in some ways, immaterial. "The biggest thrill actually was riding and coming in and seeing the boys in the weighing room. Frankie [Dettori] drove me mad before the

Looking tense as he emerged from the weighing room before his first ride in Britain for more than 300 days, Swinburn was applauded politely by a crowd swelled by several hundred people who had made the journey to the Thames-side track to see one of Britain's most gifted jockeys. When the stalls opened, Swinburn soon had Talathath in a prominent position behind the Dettori-ridden Cape Pigeon, before hitting the front near the furlong pole and holding on by a 12 lengths from Tomal.

"Great, brilliant. My wind is good, but my legs got a bit tired. All in all I was just well pleased with my level of fitness. I am blowing a bit and my legs went, but I thought it would be worse." "What today has shown is

that I am lost without racing. so I need racing an awful lot. The day I started in racing. 'Frenchie' Nicholson told me there would be more had days than good days and he said if I could take the bad days, it would make the good ones even better. This is living

Despite coming so close to losing a career that he loves. Swinburn has not thought much about the accident and when he watched a re-run of the horrific fall at Sha Tin racecourse on television yesterday morning it was only the second time he had seen it. However, he clearly still feels some anger at the way he was kept in the dark over when he would be allowed to race-ride

"I really believed I was going to be back in the saddle six or seven weeks ago. I have been trying to get myself fit since the middle of May, but every time I set myself a goal I had the goalposts moved and I was not given any reason for it, which was extremely disheartening.

Specialists from Hong Kong and Britain — who rang Swinburn at the weekend wishing him luck - gave the jockey the all-clear back in May, but he could not find out his application for a riding licence was being blocked. Eventually he was informed insurance regulations meant he had to wait six months due to the severity of his injuries.

"My argument is not with the Jockey Club. They have been very supportive. I just hope Dr [Michael] Turner chief medical adviser to the Jockey Club| has learnt some-

thing from this."
While Swinburn was the inevitable centre of television and media interest. Willie Carson also made a successful return from the injury which has kept him off the racetrack for 17 days since bruising his back and arms at Newmarket. The pillar-to-post victory on Ikdam, the evens favourite, in the Copenhagen Conditions season for Dick Hern.

Sir Piers Bengough, a trustee of Ascot racecourse for 25 years and Her Majesty's representative for 15 years, is to retire in autumn, 1997, Buckingham Palace announced yesterday. Lord Hartington, the recently retired chairman of the British Horseracing Board and an Ascot trustee himself since 1987, will sucreed Sir Piers as Her Majes-



#### SOUTHWELL

2.15 Spanish Blaze. 2.45 The Country Trader. 3.15 Glernvally. 3.45 Longcroft. 4.15 Trade Wind. 4.45

2.15 CROMER NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£3,813 3m 110yd) (7 nuners)

1 P.403 GEORGE ASHFORD 10 (F) K Mongan 6-12-0 A S Smith — 2 D-35 BLUE RAVEN 11 (BF 5) P Hoto; 5-11-12. A P McCoy — 3 FF-P THE GALDOPWINAJOR 31 Mrs M Reveley 6-11-7 N Smith — 4 40-3 SANT BENET 25 (V.)F.6) 6 Photomonus 8-10-11. R Farnari §9 5-01.5 SPANISH BLAZE 17 (BF) Mrs M Jones 8-10-8 J F Tibley — 7 6630— ABITIMORIFUN 101 (F.S) J Bennet 10-10-0 ... L Harvey — 7-4 Blue Raven, 3-1 George Astroad, 9-2 The Gallopo major, 6-1 others

2.45 SKEGNESS HANDICAP CHASE (£3,883, 2m 4l 110yd) (5)

1 24F- THE COUNTRY TRADER 137 (8.D.F.C) P Hobbs 10-12-0 2 3122 NOBLELY 8 (C.BF.F.E.S) N Water 9-11-10 AP McCoy 90
3 1210 NOCATCHM 17 (C.D.F.C.S) K Morgao 7-11-4 A S Smith 93
4 4P3 WAKE UP LLV 3 (D.F.C.) K Wingree 11-11-2 G Bradley 80
5 5313 MARGOTS GREEN 10 (C.F.S.) J Bradley 9-10-1 R Johnson 96 7-4 Noblety, 5-2 The Country Trades, 4-1 Nocalchem, 5-1 others

3.15 YARMOUTH NOVICES HURDLE (52,448: 2m) (4) 1 - D.31 PRE MADN 10 (F) M. Bleiby 4-11-2 ... Mar A. Wirdle (7) 80 2 00-5 SHALIK 4 J. Jerkors 5-10-12 ... ... J. Railton - CHADL BIGH WALK 406F S Campion 4-10-9 A. S. Smith - B. Dr.6- GLEVALLY 38F B Mairray 5-10-7 ... ... G. Bradley 85 4-6 Ing Mon, 4-1 Chadleogh Walk, 5-1 Shaib, 7-1 Glerwally

BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Bath: 2.00 Sobeloved 4 00 Imposing Time Southwelt 4 15 Laser Light Lady

#### 3.45 SOUTHEND MAIDEN HURDLE

1 /PU- ARRAMSE A GAME 222 Mas. J Bower 9-11-5 T Dascombe (3) —
2 54-3 DESERT CHALLENGER 23 (8) J Jerture 5-11-5 A P McCoy (5)
3 PIO- PERTEMPS RYSE NAST C March 5-11-5 ... J Magner (3) 80
4 //OO SOFPLAM WOOD 80 5 Chadword 10-11-0 ... A Dobbon —
5 LONGCROFT 28F S Kettlewell 4-10-11 ... R Johnson — 4-5 Desert Challenger, 7-2 Longorott, 5-1 Pertempt Fiver, 8-1 Others

4.15 BRIGHTON SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE

(£1,842: 2m 4l 110yd) (5) 1 6-12 TRADE WIND 19 (V.C.F) J O'Shez 5-12-0 Machael Bremton (5) 83-2 -556 RAY RIVER 13 (O.F.6) N Wingrove 4-11-7 Mr A Winds (7) 94 3 -424 WORDO'S WIND 17 Wordingham 7-10-6 B Featon 98 4 402 AVINGUAN FLYER 300F (C.6) 6 Protermo 7-10-6 R Farant — 5 0005 LASER LIGHT LADY 23 (8) N Littmosten 5-10-0 B Pometi — 10-11 Trade Wind, 3-1 Ray River, 5-1 Wordy's Wind, 8-1 other.

4.45 BLACKPOOL HANDICAP HURDLE

(£2,427; 2m) (6) 9-4 Game Didemona, 11-4 Ruchs Prote 3-1 Van Prince 6-1 Wordsmith 7-1

COURSE SPECIALISTS SOUTHWELL: Trainers: Mrs. M. Reveley. 11 emotes from 27 cunners, 40.7%, J.O'Shea. 10 from 30-30.3%, N. Morgan, 5 from 16-31.3%, N. Trailer, 3 from 13, 23.1%, J. Harrs, 18 from 10, 31.7.5%. J. Braddey, 4 from 31, 12.9%. Josephs, 6 Fertion, 3 moners from 10 frees, 30.0%, A.P. McCoy. 10 from 38, 25.5%, R. Farrant 8 from 28, 20.5%, A. Smith, 4 from 25, 16.0%, R. Johnson, 3 from 27, 14.3%.

BATH: Trainers: B Harbury, 5 senters from 7 numbers, 71.4%, 0 O'Ment, 3 from 6, 50.0% is Classifton, 15 from 37, 40.5%, Mass G Nellenay, 3 from 11, 27.3%, Lord Harrington, 8 from 30, 26.7% is horry, 3 from 13, 23.1%, Jackbeys: BH Henry, 8 curners from 30 rates, 26.7%, 7st Edday, 23 from 98, 23.5% is Henry, 8 curners from 30 rates, 23.7%, Jackbeys, 12 from 98, 23.5% is Heighes, 12 from 85, 19.5%, J Reid, 20 from 110, 18.2%, Paul Edday, 75 from 88, 17.0%,

#### YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Windsor

Going: good
2.00 (1m 31 135yd) 1, SHABANAZ (J. Rext. 10-11 tev), Z. Courbarii (D.O Neil. 5-1), 3. Dormy Three (S. Drowne, 5-1). ALSO RAN, 11-2 Arcatura (4th), 16 Pal's Splendour (5th), 25 Bursu Lady (6th), 33 Freddie's Recall, Longario Bay, 8 ran 3, 2bd, 1bd, 8l, 22l, W Mulr at Lamboum Tote: E1 80; £1 20, £1 40, £1.90. DF: £2,70, CSF, 26.09. No bot Going: good 22.70. CSF. 96.09. No bud
2.30 (si 217yd) 1. CHARLITON SPRING
(S Drowne, 16-1). 2. Perfect Bliss (R
Firench, 4-1 it-law): 3. Aegean Sound
(Dans O'Nell, 6-1) ALSO RAN: 4-1 it-law
inta (Shi), 5 Sherzetto (4th), 11 Bluebel
Mass. 14 Walt For Rosie, 16 Hi Rhapsody,
Preskidul. 20 Comcrate. 25
Sharazamataz, 33 Molly Music (8th), 12
ran, NK, 141, 7, nk. 1. R Hodges at
Somerton, Tote: \$17.60: \$23.50, £1.70,
\$21.0. DF, \$23.40. Thio: \$28.60, CSF
\$21.91. Tindast: \$402.69

2.11.9), 11ic281; 24U2-09
3.00 (Si 217yd) 1, IKDAM (W Carson, Evans tex); 2, Caviar Royale (Pat Eddery, 5-2); 3, Stone Plower (J Reid, 11-2) ALSO RAN: 11-2 Secret Combe (4th), 20 Bert (5th) 5 ran, 14:I, 4!, hd, 15!, W Hem at Lambourn, Tota: \$2.00; £1.30, £1.50. DF. £2.60, CSF. £3.99

22:60, CSF. £3.99
3.30 (1m. 67yd) 1. TALATHATH (W.R. Swenburn, 5-1 tev. Newmarket Correspondent's nap), 2, Tomal (A. McGlone, 12-1); 3, Cape Pigeon (L. Dettori, 13-2), ALSO RAN, 7 Deevise, Our Shadee (6th), O Factor, 8 Just Harry, 9 Mr. Rough, 10 Jeachm (6th), 12 Sea Spouse, 16 Proud Brigadier (4th), 25 Caddy's First, 33 Mr. Hacker, 50 Classic Per, Sir



Oliver 15 ran. 154, shind 254, nk. 11 C Dwyer at Nemarket Tote: £5.70 £2.00, £5.00, £2.10 DF £130.70 Tho £273.20 CSF, £62.53 Tricast £380.79

4.00 (1m 21 7yd) 1. SHARP CONSUL IL James, 8-1) 2. Vola Via (Marin Dwyer, 5-1); 3, Princess Danielle (M Henry, 7-2

James, 8-1) 2. Vota Via (Manm Dwyer, 5-1); 3. Princess Danielle (M Henry, 7-2 lav). ALSO RAN, 1-12 Hanvey White (4th), 6 Lolu, 7 Disallowed (8th), 8 Country Love (5th), 16 Persian Conquest, 20 Far Dawn, frish hunsman, Noble Lord 11 ran, Ni, 34, 1 std, 5th fd, 71 H Candy at Wantage Tote, 29,30, 63 30, 52 10, 61 30 DF 631 30. Tro: 641 60 CSF 646 77 Tricast 6150.83
4.30 (1m 3f 195yd) 1 FERN'S GOV-ERNOR (Wr T McCarthy, 4-1 play), 2 Braydon Forest (Mr Fi Thomton, 16-1), 3. Spread The Word (Mr L Jefferd, 4-1 play), ALSO RAN: 11-2 Arbic Bay (8th), 8 Grand Applianse, Regal Eagle, Super Serenade (4th), 14 Global Dencer, 16 Manaber, 20 Golden Hadeer, 25 Red Viper, 33 Haydown (5th), Little Luke, Missy View, 14 ran, 31, 1-1, 1-1, 21, 21 W Musson (1 Newmarket, Tote: 64 60, 61 70, 66 60, 61 70 DF, 698-30, Tino: 6117 20, CSF 652, 17, Tincast 6251 21
5.00 (1m 67yd) 1, YAMfUNA (W Ryan, 4-1); 3, Don Bossio (W R Swinburn, 6-5 Jav), ALSO RAN: 5 Take Notice, 9 Galib Alasad (6th), Mell The Coucks (4th), 25 Subwess (5th), 33 Newol, Samoretle, 50 Monte Felice, Sovereign Crest, 66 Burrly Baggishaw, Chesteine, Endast Sam, Jades Shadow, Thor's Phantom, 100 Press Again, Redical Ecception 18 ran, 2, 7, 751, 3, 9 H Cacil at Newmarket, Tote: 940; 62,30, 61 80, 61 10. DF 517-70. Tino: 67.10 CSF 641 07 Jackpoth 522,30, 61 80, 61 10. DF 517-70. Tino: 67.10 CSF 640 00.20 winning tickers could of 625 886.58 carried toward

Jackpot: £22,984,90 (0.20 winning tickets; pool of £25,898.58 carried forward to Bath today). Placepot £25.50. Quedpot £8.90.

Worcester Going: good to soft

Burchell, 3-1) 3, Ghedri (B Powell, 33-1) 3 ran 16), dist M Pipe at Wellington Tole. C1 50 DF C1 50 CSF C1,41 315 (2m 4h 1 CLEAN EDGE (E Husband, 5-2), 2. First Crack (S Wynne, 5-2); 3 Coast Along (W Wortington, 5-4 lay), ALSO RAN: 14 Forgettid (4th) 4 ran I/R Fieldindge 3 10, 211 J Mackes at Church Brotighton, Total 23 80, 27.00. DF 24 60 CSF 28.16

DF C4-60 CSF 58.16
3.45 (2m) 1. ROYAL THIMBLE (R. Johnson, 5-2): 2. Lancer (W. Marston, 100-30), 3. Night Time (Mr. G. Shenkin, 100-30). ALSO RAN: 9-4 law Carus Colours (4th) 4 ran NF Samestan, 194, 194, 5h hd. N Chance at Lamboum Tote: 53.00 DF: 55.80 CSF: 59.32

4.15 (2m) 1, Will JE MAKET JJ Culloly, 11-8 fav); 2, Scaraben (R Johnson, 13-8); 3, Harrow Way (S McNeal, 10-1). ALSO RAN 12 Actounded (Sth), Caxton (4th), 5 ran 191, 91, 111, 44 R Philips at Sparsholi Tote £1 80 £1.60, £1 70. DF: £2.00, CSF 4.45 (2m) 1, FORGOTTEN EMPRESS (R

Laugh (5th). 16 Sadier's Pearl (4th), 66 Sister Jim (6th) 6ran 11/4 18, 61, 01st, 141 S kettlewell at Middleham. Tote (2.90; Placepot £164.50. Quadpot: £25.50.

Leicester

Gaing: good Going: good

5,45 (7! 9yd) 1, CROWN OF LIGHT (R
Cochrane, 9-2; 2, Ciro's Pearl (12-1), 3,
Northern Girl (20-1) ALSO RAN: 4-1 lav
Blue Hopper: 9 Arming (4th: 13 ran NR,
Anthe Hd, Et M Stoude Tole: 65-60; 11-60,
65-40, 27-70 DF £45-80 Tho not won
(pool of £123-04 camed loward to tomorrow), CSF: £54-13 Africe (14-1) withdrawn,
not under orders — rule 4 applies to all
bets, deduct 5p in pound

Thirsk

Going, good Going, good 6,00 (fm) 1 EURO SCEPTIC (P Doe, 7-4 (3v) 2 Percy Parrol (10-1); 2, Rainbows Rhapsody 15-2) ALSO RAN 7-2 Almon's Mate (4m in ren, NR Absolute Rules 6) 1,1 Teasterby fore 22-50, g1 40 52-30, cto 60 DF 516-70 Trio 520-50 CSF

# Connections keep options open for Dushyantor

Irish St Leger. "We'll make a

decision on the Irish Leger

after the Newbury race, but if

it looks like he doesn't stay

we'll go for the Doonside Cup

The weekend highlight at

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: BOLD CLASSIC

(3.30 Bath)

Next best: Walk The Beat

(4.00 Bath)

Ripon, the E25,000-added Wil-

liam Hill Great St Wilfrid

Handicap, is set to feature a

clash between old adversaries

Double Bounce and Bolshoi.

The pair, respectively sec-ond and fourth in the Stew-

ards' Cup. are among 27 entries for the six-furlong

contest. Double Blue, winner

Ladbrokes bet 5-1 Double

Bounce, 6-1 Double Splen-

also a possible starter.

at Ayr instead," Hall said.

DUSHYANTOR, a disappointing fourth to Zagreb in the Irish Derby at the Curragh, will seek to redeem his tarnished reputation either at Newbury on Saturday or York a week today.

The Henry Cecil-trained colt, previously runner-up to Shaamit in the Derby at Epsom, is engaged in Newbury's Tripleprint Geoffrey Freer Stakes at the weekend. However, connections have the option of switching to the Great Voltigeur Stakes

at York. Grant Pritchard-Gordon, racing manager to the colt's owner, Khaled Abdulla, said: "He will run in one race or the other though it's not been decided yet which one."

The colt is likely to face a tough task should he take up the option of going to Newbury. A 17-strong entry for the group two contest includes the Gold Cup winner and King George runner-up.

Classic Cliche. Other notable entries include Posidonas, a game winner of the Princess of Wales's Stakes at Newmarket. Dushyantor's stablemate. Minds Music, and the Ches-

ter Vase winner, High Baroque.

of the race 12 months ago, is

Bollin Joanne, Perryston View, Samwar, 14-1 Highat Middleham by Sally Hall, will be the sole northern challenger for the race. The born, Mr Bergerac, The Scythian, 16-1 Galine, Ziggy's Dancer, Sailormaite, 20-1 six-year-old is running to test his staying powers with a view to a possible tilt at the

Michael Kinane will be fit to return to action for the meeting at Deauville on Thursday. The Irish jockey will partner Sensation in the group one Prix Jacques le Marois after escaping relatively unscathed from a fall at Leopardstown on Sunday.

He suffered concussion and a bruised elbow when Munif was brought down in the EBF Handicap. Kinane had X-rays yesterday and his wife, Catherine, said: "They've shown that there is no damage. He is having some physiotherapy and will have a couple of days off, but he will be going to

Deauville on Thursday." The unbeaten Sensation, winner of the Falmouth Stakes at Newmarket on her last outing, was one of 12 acceptors yesterday for the one-mile showpiece. There is a three-strong British representation with the Godolphinowned pair, Charnwood Forest and Heart Lake, being joined by the Mark Johnstontrained Gothenberg.

**RACING AHEAD** Robert Wright suggests the best value in

TOTE EBOR HANDICAP York, August 21 **GUIDE TO THE LEADING PRICES** 

the ante-post market

CON THE Harbour Dues Beauchamo Jade Celeric Snow Princess

8-1 10-1 8-1 8-1 12-1 10-1 12-1 11-1 12-1 12-1 10-1 11-1 12-1 16-1 16-1 12-Private Song Better Offer 12-7 16-7 16-7 14-7 Clerkemeel 14-1 IE-1 16-1 14-1 Top Cees . 12-1 14-1 12-11 16-1 16-1 16-1 16-1 16-Monarch

Foundry Lane 20-1 16-1 16-1 16-1

Nabhaan 16-1 16-1 16-1 20-1

Ambassador

20-1 20-1 12-1 16-1

The Tote Ebor Handicap provides the betting highlight at next week's three-day festival at York. With £100,000 in added prize-money, it is always fiercely competitive,

in added orize-money, it is always fiercely competitive, and this season is no exception.

Herbour Duss has been installed favourite after his unlucky-in-numing third to Remisen in the King George V. Handicap of Royal Ascot. He shapes as though he will be suited by the slightly longer the at York, and has scope for further improvement, but provides no value at 9-2 with so many other realistic contentions.

Beauchamp large was another unfolder learning large at Royal Ascot, when found in the Beschändigh Handicap.

However, a 4lb pehalty for her recent allocation successions or may only be no much.

may prove too much. Ocienc got the better of Snow Pulicess which they clashed in the Northumberland Plate but the latter is likely to take her revenge on 7th better terms for

likely to take her revenge on 71s better terms for three-quarters of a length. However, the translicapper may now have taken their measure.

Private Song acted se paremaker for Dushyantor in the link Derby, but is a smart performer in his own right, and would go well if staying the Ebor trip, white less year's third, Foundry Lane, remains too high in the weights. Too Cees, who disappointed at Chester last time, may be ideally suited by further.

Monarch showed progressive form last season had.

Monarch showed progressive form last season, but disappointed on his reappearance at Haydock in May and has not run since. He has clearly had problems, but remains lightly raced and this well-bred colt is open to considerable improvement now that he steps up in distance. At 16-1, MONARCH represents a good each-way wager.

THUNDERER

4.30 MAID BY THE FIRE (nap) 5.00 Taufan Boy

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.30 BLAZING CASTLE. Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.00 Florentine Diamond. 5.00 Platinum Plus.

#### **GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD**

DRAW: 5F-1M, LOW NUMBERS BEST

#### 2.00 AUGUST SELLING STAKES

TOTE JACKPOT MEETING

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(13)	00-0000	GREY CHARIMER 10 (F.G.S.) (R Result) R Buckler 7-9-3 J Reid	77
(6)		KETABI 3 (G) (B Whatney) R Alichurs 5-9-3	-
(3)		MOROCCO 56 (CD.F.S) (M Myers) M Charmon 7-9-3 R Hughes	8
		ROCKY TWO 19 (B.G) (Mrs & Matheli) N Muchell 5-9-3 Sophie Mitchell (5)	6
(10)		CHRISTIAN WARRIOR 4 (Miss P Kesock-Smith) R Peacock 7-8-12 K Fallon	-
(5)		GALLOPPING GLAKS 8J (P Harriston) B Lienellyn 4-8-12 . J Bramhill (7)	
iñ		SHANGHAI (JL 6 (G) (6 & Dragon Recorg) M F-Godley 4-8-12 W J O'Connor	7
(2)		SOBELOVED B (B) (M Lawrance) N Berry 4-8-12 A Mackay	ы
Ü		ANDY CORY 458J (B Moseley) W Brishoums 5-8-7 A Garth	
(B)	090000	CEDAR DANCER 29 (R Hodges) R Hodges 4-8-7 . Amanda Sanders (5)	7
(15)		FOLLOWTHE ALLSTARS 7 (B) (1 Naughton) 1 Maughton 3-8-7 . S Sanders	93
111)		MORTHERN SAGA 31 (C Drove) C Dreve 3-8-7 J Quant	-
(14)		CHARLTON MAP 10 (D.F) (A Hodges) R Hodges 3-8-5 S Drowns	9
(4)		FIRST LAW 13 (R Tpoth) Micz G Kelleway 3-8-2 G Bardwell	•
191		LADY MAGRAHM 12 (Magram Construction) J Needle 3-8-2. N Variey (3)	9
		3.9 Parlament Olivera and Print I are to a few for the Conference and 1.9 I had bloom	

#### 2.30 MILE MAIDEN HANDICAP (£2,898: 1m 5yd) (18 runners) 201 (11) 52-0322 SHARP SHUFFLE 13 (8F) (Mrs H Prendergasi) R Hannon 3-10-0 Dame O'Neil (3)

202	(3)	400	MELONIANIA 39 (R Lorenz) T Naughion 4-9-12
203	(14)		GOOSEBERRY PIE 15 (BF) (Mrs. A Brudenell) R Charlton 3-9-11 T Sprake
204	(13)	60-9050	CATO'ORO 12 (Mas B Swire) G Balding 3-9-5 S Drowne
205	<b>(4)</b>	400-400	OSCAR ROSE 18 (5 Sharp) Lord Huntingdon 3-9-1
206	(2)	240260	BATH KMIGHT 32 (P De Wack) D Brench Davis 3-8-13
207	(18)	0-00065	SHARP HOLLY 8 (B) (Mrss J Blackwell) J Bonnett 4-8-11., Sophia Milichell (5)
208	(17)		FASTEN GOLD 10 (M Hopkos) M Usher 4-8-10 A Clark
209	(12)	0000-	JELLY BEVELED 292 (W Kelly) P Webber 4-8-10 R Perham
210	(B)		RICHARD HOUSE LAD 5 (D Monall) R Hollinshead 3-8-7 F Lynch (3)
211	(25)	4050-	MATERIZATE DANISER 351 (Dahagh Construction) In Bridgester 3-8-5 IX Fallow
<b>2</b> 12	(1)		LITTLE KENNY 10 (V) (P F-Godley) M Fetherston-Godley 3-8-6 R Financh (7)
213	(15)	50000-0	CELESTIAL DOLLAR 19 (M Detahooke) O O'Nelli 5-8-6 V Statlary
214	(9)	00600	DIDMAN WOLF 10 (Mrs 7 Downstend) B Liewstiyn 3-8-3 J Bramhill (7)
215	n	006405	SHERMOOD 19 (A Saunders) K wory 3-8-2 . Martin Dayer (5)
216	(10)	0600-0	SIBERIAN MYSTIC 112 (Merry Men) P Murphy 3-8-0 . N Variey (3)
217	(6)	454408-	FEDOLES DELIGHT 354 (F Rootand) M Channon 3-7-12 C Rotter
218	(5)	DQ-065Q	FORLIANDO 59 (N & M PSe) M Saunders 3-7-11 J F Egan
BETTU	NG: 4	1 Sharn St	nuiffe, 7-1 Little Kenov, 8-1 Gooseherry Pie, Card'ord, Richard House Lad. 18-1 S

1995: SHADY DEED 3-9-8 M Henry (4-1) J Hills 8 can

FORM FOCUS

#### 3.00 MENDIP MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES

(2-Y	-0: £3	.448: 5	ii 11yd) (11 runners)	
301	(4)	34		9
302	{1}	23	BOLD TIMA 27 (Mrs C Harrington) R Harmon 8-11 Dane O'Neill (3)	8
303	(6)	04	CALAMANDER 41 (P Blacker) P Cole 8-11	8
304	(9)	3	DANCETHENSHTAWAY 20 (& Bosley) B Maetan 8-11 B Doyle	6
305	(5)	5	PLORENTINE DIAMOND 8 (BF) (F Salman) M Prescott 8-11 6 Duffleto	
306	(2)		FULLY BOOKED (G Noble) J Hills 8-11 M Henry (3)	
307	(III)	0	MUSCATANA 36 (X Al-Said) B Hill: 8-11 . Pat Eddery	7
308	(7)	4035	ONE WITH YOU 12 (D Ciee) M Fetherston-Godley B-11 J Read	9
309	(B)	0	SALLY GREEN 34 (K Stenborg) C Wall 8-11 W Woods	
310	(3)		SARABI 15 (Z Baladari) J Pizzocc 8-11	-
311	(10)	0	SEA MIST 127 (R Sangster) P Chappte-Hyam 8-11 R Havlin (5)	-

BETTENG: 3-1 Bold Ting. 4-1 Blues Queen, 5-1 Muscalana, 6-1 Oneknight With You, 7-1 Florentina Diamond, 8-1 1995; COMIC FANTASY 8-11 J Read (6-4 tav) P Chapple-Hyam 7 ram

#### FORM FOCUS

BLUES OUESN about 1341 4th of 9 to Cherokee
Flight in maiden at Nothingham (51, 900d to firm) BOLD TINA 31 3rd of 4 to Seebe on maiden at
Sandown (51, good to form).
DANCETHENGHTAWAY 3341 3rd of 5 to Bramble

FULLY BOOKED (toaled Mar 11) Half-sister by Mulyan to several witners: darn runner up in Data ONEKNOBET WITH 1001 short-lead and neck 3rd ol 11 to Sriver Purse in manden here (5) 161yd.

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3.30 BBC RADIO BRISTOL HANDICAP (£3,508, 2m 11 34yd) (4 nunners) (4) 45-0421 BOLD CLASSIC 21 (F) (Mrs H Focke) J Dunlop 3-9-10. Pag Eddery 91
(1) 112943 HILL FARM DANCER 9 (C.F.S) W Bristourne 5-8-9 Martin Dwyer (5) 90
(2) 000050 AUDE LA BELLE 18 (F.G) (Mrs Y Raphres 1 S Knght 8-8-4 F Norton 8)
(3) 4080-04 CHUCKLESTONE 20 (CD.F.G) (Mrs P King) J Xing 13-7-10 . J Outen 89

BETTING: 5-4 Rold Classic, 9-4 Hit Farm Dancer, 4-1 Aude La Belle, 9-2 Chucklestone 1995: ARC BRIGHT 5-7-13 M Henry (3-1) R Hollmshoad 6 ran

FORM FOCUS

BOLD CLASSIC basil Classoc College Nel in 7numer matrian bandicap al Yambouth (1 in 6), lim)
HILL FARM DANICER about 314 4th of 13 to CHUCKLESTONE 344 4th of 8 to Paradice Navy in Paradice Nates in handfara bers (in 31 144yd, good) on penultimate start. AUDE LA BELLE about 5 Selection: CHUCKLESTONE 344 4th of 8 to Paradice Navy in Paradice Navy in Paradice Navy in Navigna (in 1). Selection: CHUCKLESTONE 344 4th of 8 to Paradice Navy in Paradice Navy in Navigna (in 1).

4.00 LUCKINGTON LIMITED STAKES (£2,856. 5f 11yd) (8 runners)

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1995; FANTASY RACING 3-8-12 J Dennis (7-1) M Channon 6 rac FORM FOCUS

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CRICKET: STALEMATE IN SECOND TEST LEAVES PAKISTAN WELL-PLACED TO WIN SERIES AT THE OVAL

# England drawn to strategical rethink

HEADINGLEY (final day of five): England drew with Pakistan

FOR all the brave words and bold intentions of the England team, there was an air of torpid inevitability to the conclusion of the second Combill Test match. The draw was an endangered species at Headingley when 12 consecutive Tests, from 1981 to 1993, ended in a positive and often premature result, but the use of a relaid pitch has taken the devil and much of the drama from

The second draw in three years was a certainty long before it was officially en-dorsed by the sight of Michael Atherton bowling his leg spin at Test level for the first time in years. His counterpart friend, Wasim Akram, quaked in mock terror at the receiver's end, but was not quite so amused when he became Atherton's second Test victim, leg-before offering

While the cricket was more consequential. England can claim to have had the better end of this latest stalemate, and there were even fleeting moments early yesterday when victory was not entirely beyond them. Now, though, they are in the same position as they were after drawing with South Africa here in 1994

Michael Henderson ......

 heading for the Oval needing to win to save the series. It is a reasonable assumption that Devon Malcolm, their saviour on that memora-

ble occasion, will not be summoned for one more reprise. It can also be taken for granted that conditions in Kennington on the first morning next week will bear little resemblance to those pertaining here last Thursday. England, then, have some thinking to do regarding how best to bowl Pakistan out twice on the best batting pitch in the country. and they may have to come up with something a shade more convincing than Atherton's leg

They are acutely aware of where they went wrong in this game and neither Atherton. the captain, nor David Lloyd, the coach, have attempted to evade the issue. If the seamers had not bowled witlessly short in the first two sessions of the match, England would probably now be level.

hat they had needed strike early became ever more evident. Once the moisture of the opening day left it, this was a slow and straightforward pitch. It never did have the grass cover that England craved, but as its preparation was in the charge of Andy Fogarty, a groundsman in his first year and rightly protective of his reputation, this was from the proud captain.

By Jack Bailey

EDGBASTON (final day of four): Warwickshire (23pts)

beat Durham (6) by 282 runs

IT WAS as near a certainty as

anything in cricket can be that

the task confronting Durham

yesterday morning would be beyond them. They resumed

with eight wickets left and 388

runs still needed for an im-

probable victory, but there

were still hopes of a glorious

rearguard action, a batting

display which would stretch

No such thing. Within 20 minutes of lunch Durham had

acquiesced to their ninth

championship defeat of the

season on a pitch yielding slow turn to Ashley Giles and

Neil Smith. It was the turn of

Warwickshire to the limit.

not to be wondered at. Bland pitches were also produced at the Oval last year and Trent Bridge this summer, both by groundsmen newly installed. It now seems paradoxical

that the one England victory this summer came on an unsuitable surface at Edgbaston, where the worried Warwickshire administration has since engaged Ron Allsopp as a pitch consultant Allson consultant. Allsopp spent half his lifetime as the Trent Bridge groundsman and could produce contrasting pitches to order. Is it too cynical to suggest that he might be centrally employed, advising on the preparation of all home Test pitches so that they no longer

against England? The loss of the last session on Sunday cost England their remaining chance of embarrassing Pakistan, but they did not help themselves by dropping another catch in the opening over yesterday. On Friday, with Pakistan still vuinerable, a catch was put down off the eighth ball of the morning. Yesterday, Alan Mullally's fourth ball found Shadab's edge and carried comfortably to first slip, where

Thorpe put it down. Shadab scarcely profited, making only two before a top-edged pull gave Lewis his first and only wicket of the match. His length was improved yesterday but there was still no threat in his bowling and, as the least impressive of this one-dimensional attack, he cannot be confident of his place if England shift the emphasis next week.

There were encouraging signs that Dominic Cork has rediscovered his rhythm, and his second ball of the morning from Saeed Anwar and left him sufficiently to take the edge. It was a fine piece of bowling and Cork might have made further inroads before lunch, one leg-before appeal against Inzamam looking extremely close. Inzamam survived to prosper and it was his 65, made from 83 balls with a series of sumptuously-timed on-side blows, that settled the fate of this game.

It did not end before Caddick, who operated off a short run for some of the day. had taken three wickets as part compensation for his illfortune on Thursday, or before Ijaz Ahmed had added a composed 52 to his firstinnings century.

Nor did it end without some uncharacteristically scruffy wicketkeeping that will only encourage the lobby agitating for Russell to hand over the gloves to Stewart once again. It was resisted for this game, rightly, but the need to win at the Oval guarantees that it will be raised again, and that it will go on being raised until England find batsmen who can bow! — apart, of course,

Giles to cash in against oppo-

sition which was ill-equipped

to combat either his slow left-

arm spinners or some fine

Dougie Brown figured large.

Giles's six for 45 was accom-

panied by the award of his

county cap. Brown's intrepid

display earned him a severe

blow on the upper arm and a

suspected fracture as his Dur-

ham namesake swung, fuli-

blooded, at a ball from Smith.

By then, Brown had taken

three excellent catches to get

rid of Hutton, Roseberry and

Weston and Warwickshire

Victory for Warwickshire

kept alive their outside chance

of retaining the champion-

ship. For all the fragility of

yesterday's opposition, there

remains a determination

were all but home.

catching in which



Atherton, the England captain, employs his rarely-used leg spin against Pakistan at Headingley yesterday

#### FUL SCOREDOARD FROM HEADINGLEY

England won loss
PAKISTAN First Innings
Saeed Anwar c Atherton b Multally . 1 (12min, 11 balls)
Shadab Kabir Ibw b Caddick 35 (122min, 90 balls, 5 lours)
Raz Ahmed c Russell b Cork 141

279min, 201 balls, 2 sixes, 20 fou amam-ul-Haq c Atherton (193min, 143 balls, 3 fours) Asif Muitaba c Thome b Cork 

B Caddick
(B3mn, 43 balls, 2 lours)
Waqar Younis c and b Cork
(11min, 11 balls, 1 lour)
Ata-ur-Rehman not out
(4min, 1 ball)
Extras (b 4, lb 10, nb 10)

Total (153.2 overs, 645min) .... FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1 (Shedab 0), 2-98 (ljaz 58), 3-103 (ljaz 59), 4-233 (Salim 41), 5-252 (Asil 5), 6-266 (Asil 12), 7-378

about their approach which inspires confidence that they

will not be toppled without a

It was Tim Munton, their

experienced acting captain, who began the Durham slide.

After an interrupted season he has now settled into his old

rhythm. His accuracy and

movement off the seam ac-

counted for Bainbridge, play-

ing to leg a ball that held its

own, and then Hutton, the

first of Brown's short leg

Throughout the match,

though, this had been a spin-

ner's kingdom and it was not

long before Giles and Smith

were in harness, chipping away at tentative Durham

batting. Brown took a low,

catch to remove Weston and

half of the Durham team were

Champions send Durham spinning

(Moin 64), 8-434 (Mushtaq 14), 9-444 (Mushtaq 16). BOWLING: Cacdick 40.2-6-113-3, Mullally 41-10-99-2, Lewis 32-4-100-0, Cork 37-6-113-5, Thorpe 3-1-9-0

ENGLAND: First Innings "M A Atherton c Moin b Wasim .... 12 (12min, 13 balls, 2 fours) A J Stewart c and b Mushtaq ..... 170

(438min, 315 balls, 24 tours) Hussain c and b Wager .... (110min, 85 thalls, 5 tours) G P Thorpe c Shadab b Mushtaq

(258min, 176 balls, 16 fours) TR C Russell b Wasim ......

(45min, 23 balls, 1 six) Extras (b 7, lb 23, nb 2)

Total (156,5 overs, 655min) ....... 501

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14 (Stewart 2), 2-

same Brown-Giles combina-

tion accounted for Roseberry.

it was just a matter of whether

Simon Brown and David

Ligertwood offered enough re-

sistance in their different ways

Brown with a free swing of the

bat, Ligertwood by means of

stubborn defence, but it could

not last. At lunch, these two

were still together and Dur-

ham had reached three figures

Ligertwood remained until

the end, but when Giles had

Brown caught from a skyer to

mid-off and then Killeen

snapped up by Penney, close in on the off side, nothing

remained for Durham but the

journey back to the North

with eight wickets down.

Durham would hold out until

121 (Stewart 58), 3-168 (Stewart 86), 4-257 (Stewart 114), 5-365 (Knight 43), 6-402 (Knight 70), 7-441 (Knight 96), 8-465 (Cork 7), 9-471 (Cork 9). BOWLING: Wasim Akram 39.5-10-106-3, Warar Youris 33-7-127-3, Ata-ur-Rehman 22-1-90-1, Mushtan Ahmed 55-17-142-3, Asif Mujtaba 7-5-6-0.

PAKISTAN: Second Innings 

Shadab Katar c a na \_\_\_\_\_\_(26min, 13 balks)sell b Caddick ... 52 (242min, 150 balks, 2 fours) (242min, 150 balks, 2 fours) (242min, 150 balks, 2 fours)

(242min, 150 balls, 2 fours)
Inzamem-ul-Haq c Stewart
b Caddick
Garman, 83 balls, 9 fours)
Salim Malik c Cork b Caddick .
(18min, 18 balls, 1 four)
Asi Multaba run out
(Atheriton/Thorps)
(68min, 64 balls, 2 fours)
Wasaim Aloram Ibw b Atheriton
(55min, 48 balls)
1Moin Khan not out
(52min, 52 balls, 3 fours)
Mushtaq Ahmed not out
(25min, 27 balls)
Extras (0 4, 16 12, n6 10)

Extras (b 4, lb 12, nb 10)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-16 (Saeed 12), 2-34 (ljaz 4), 3-132 (ljaz 29), 4-142 (ljaz 32), 5-188 (ljaz 47), 6-201 (Wasim 4), 7-221 (Moin 15).

BOWLING: Multetly 15-2-43-0 (nb 7: 3 hours: 5-0-19-0, 3-1-5-0, 7-1-19-0); Lewis 16-3-52-1 (nb 6: 6 lours; 5-1-14-1, 6-0-27-0, 5-2-11-0); Cardick: 17-4-52-3 (nb 1: 7 lours: 6-2-21-0, 7-2-24-2, 4-0-7-1); Cork 16-2-49-1 (3 lours: 11-2-34-1, 5-0-15-0); Thorpe 10-3-10-0 (10-1-0, 9-3-9-0); Atherton 7-1-20-1 (1 lour: cer shall)

SCORING NOTES: Fifth day: Lunch: 87-2 (28 twers, 123min; liaz 21, inzamam 30) Tea: 189-5 (56 overs, 142man For 18 Martin 0)

Metch award: A J Stewart (Adjudicator Mushtaq Mohammed) Umpires: S.A.Bucknor (West Indies) and D.R. Shepherd, Third umpire: R.Julian. Match referee: P L van der Merwe

Total (7 wkts dec, 81 overs, 322min) 242 | Compiled by Bill Francial

#### Symonds succumbs to Hampshire spin

HAMPSHIRE celebrated their £7.1 million windall from the National Lottery with only their third championship win of the season, beating Gloucestershire by 63 runs with a ball to spare at Southampton yesterday (Geoffrey Wheeler writes).

While Andrew Symonds was flaying the quicker bowlers during the pre-lunch session. Gloucestershire looked to have a good chance of achieving their tall target of 379. But, once he had been slowed by the spinners — he was stumped off Maru for 90 after hitting a six and 16 fours

 Hampshire took control. Shaun Udal made a timely return to form, taking five for 82, while Maru had three for

50. The last pair, Davis and Lewis, survived for ten overs before Udal had Lewis taken

at short leg. Hampshire have to find another £9 million to finance the building of a new headquarters and community stadium near the M27, which will include a self-contained nursery ground for second XI cricket, an academy for young players, a gymnasium, a ninehole golf course, indoor and outdoor bowls and an ailweather sports pitch.

South Africa A will take an unbeaten record in first-class games into the final match of their tour, against a TCCB XI at Durham on Thursday, after beating Worcestershire by 172 runs at New Road.

#### Malcolm wrecks Sussex's chance of victory

BY RUPERT COX

HOVE (final day of four): Derlyshire (23pts) beat Sussex

IT THREATENED to be an intriguing and tense climax. with Sussex resuming yesterday morning requiring 185 more runs with eight wickets intact to usurp Derbyshire's early dominance. Devon Malcolm. however, had other ideas, collecting his second ten-wicket match haul in three championship encounters. Sussex could not recover from a disastrous start and Derbyshire's ultimate victory in a fluctuating contest maintained their place among the posse of counties who still have a chance of taking the Britannic Assurance title.

With heavy afternoon showers predicted, the onus was on Sussex to take a firm gasp of this match as they resumed on 91 for two; but within 12 eventful minutes they stood perilously at 96 for five, their chance of a victory that had seemed within reach on Saturday night, apparently having been thrown away.

Derbyshire, without their former Sussex all-rounder. Colin Wells, who picked up a back injury bowling in the first innings and was unable to take the field, got the early inspiration they needed from their experienced new-ball pairing of Malcolm and Phillip DeFreitas.

Alan Wells edged the first ball of the day from Defreitas to O'Gorman at second slip. and Martin Speight, the firstinnings century-maker, quickly followed, comprehensively beaten by Malcolm, who uprooted his off stump.

The nightwatchman, lan Salisbury, having witnessed the mainstays of Sussex's batting dismissed so quickly, could only muster a solitary boundary to add to his overnight score before lofting DeFreitas to Matthew Vandrau at cover.

The Sussex middle order. however, had not abandoned all thoughts of victory. Keith Newell, in his first championship match of the season, played the anchor role and. first with Danny Law, then with his vice-captain, Peter Moores, took Sussex beyond

Law, 21, profited from some early fortune, edging twice through the slip cordon, but he was driving crisply by the time he was out for 32. clipping Malcolm off his toes, towards the short pavilionside boundary, where Vandrau clutched the ball above his head as he struggled to remain within bounds.

SERIES DETAILS: First Test (Lord's) Pakistan won by 164 runs. Test to come: Third (The Oval) August 22 to This brought Moores, the wicketkeeper, to the crease. and he took on Malcolm, announcing his arrival with a savage pull in front of square. Malcolm, inevitably, dropped short and Moores top-edged his hook but Kevin Dean. running from long leg. could only knock the ball over the ropes. On the stroke of lunch Moores repeated the shot in more convincing style, as Sussex adjourned at 208 for six, just 68 runs short of victory, with Malcolm's four overs before the interval having produced 48 runs.

The match turned again immediately after lunch, when Newell was leg-before to Dean and Mooresbecame Malcolm's fourth victim of the innings after an enterprising 56 from 41 balls. The momentum was lost, this time for

Derbyshire are now level with Kent in fourth place, and with fixtures against many of the lowly teams, their seamers in good form and unaffected by Test calls, they will pose a serious threat

#### Glamorgan inspired by thrill of chase for tough target

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By Ivo Tennant

SWANSEA (final day of four): Glamorgan (9pts) drew with Leicestershire (11)

CHASING a target has not been one of Glamorgan's strengths this season. Left to score 335 off what transpired to be 86 overs, and given the ideal start by Hugh Morris, who made his fourth century of the season, they lost five wickets in the last hour. leaving their last-wicket pair of Colin Metson and Neil Kendrick to survive the final eight balls. Leicestershire, seeking to remain at the top of the championship table, timed their declaration almost, but not quite, to

perfection. If Morris were not six years older than Nick Knight, presumably he would have been among the past and prospective England players over whom David Graveney was running his eye yesterday. He remains conscientious and thoroughly dependable, if not quite the batsman to do something about keeping up with the run rate in the last

Much is always expected of Maynard in such circumstances. Perhaps too much. Coming in after James and Evans had both made useful contributions, he drove and timed his shots off his legs with such an ease that there was no necessity for him to charge down the pitch at Brimson. Already scoring at just about a run a ball, his 33 including six fours, he was

stumped by some distance. Brimson, who gained a considerable amount of turn, is yet another individual whom Jack Birkenshaw, the Leicestershire manager, has collected from another county. He deliberately bowled wide of the leg stump at Cottey, the double century maker of the first innings, and if that was not pretty to watch;

it was a ploy that worked. Irked by this. Cottey swung across the line and was bowled. In came Butcher, who was promptly dropped without scoring at short leg. When the last 16 overs commenced soon afterwards. Glamorgan needed 107, which was not excessive. In the first of these, though, Butcher drove Pierson to mid-off and set off for a run that was only feasible if the fielder, Aftab Habib, missed the stumps

He did noL This brought in Gibson, who may or may not be aware that Glamorgan are contemplating whether they can afford to make Waqar Younis their highest-paid employee. As the overseas hired hand, Gibson has been a disappointment. At least in this ), match he has made some runs - 97 in the first innings and some lofty blows here, including a skimming six over longMara::

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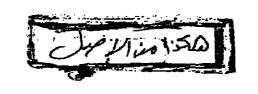
off off Brimson. Next, Morris, having made 106 off 202 balls, including 17 fours, was leg-before pushing defensively at Pierson. In the following over, bowled by Brimson, Thomas drove him over the rugby stand and, no doubt, into one of those hay carts that in the apocryphal stories are supposed to carry such shots all the way to Llandrindrod Wells. But it did not last. Macmillan bowled him round his legs as he looked to sweep and Croft drove impetuously to mid-off before he had scored.

From the last four overs, 46 were required, which meant that everything depended on Gibson. In the penultimate over, seemingly undecided as to whether to attempt to make 36 more runs, he was bowled through the gate by Macmillan.

The Final of the NatWest Trophy is only a day away.

Will it be Essex or Surrey tone modified a pillgrimage to Enrols? And will it be the red rose or the white one that'll bloom today? The Finer may only be a day away, but what a day it's coing to be

 NatWest More than just a bank



# Semi-finals to test nerve and stamina

By Alan Lee, cricket correspondent

THE mercenary overcrowding of the domestic calendar reaches its zenith today when six members of the England team step directly from a week of demanding, slow-burning Test cricket into the microwave atmosphere of the Nat-West Trophy semi-finals.

There has to be a more measured way of scheduling the important matches, but the Test and County Cricket Board has not yet hit upon it, and the projected shift to staging the ties on separate lays next year is merely a device to accommodate the ever-inflating requirements of television.

Any fatigue, however, is likely to be overwhelmed by the passion generated inside Old Trafford, for the second of this summer's Roses semifinals, and at the Oval, where close to 10,000 are expected for



Martin: match-winner

the visit of Essex. There are years when the semi-finalists surprise or even disappoint, but this quartet is heavy-duty.
Precedent suggests that
Lancashire will beat York-

shire. After all, it is nine years since they lost a knockout match at Old Trafford and they already have the Benson and Hedges Cup back in safe ble side at the longer one-day games, there will be 18,000 cheering them on, and they expect Ian Austin and Peter Martin to have recovered from

niggling injuries. It was Martin who struck the decisive, last-ball blow in the semi-final of the Benson and Hedges Cup, gaining a one-wicket win that had seemed inconceivable for the majority of the match. This was not the only time this season that Lancashire have got by on nerve and experience in a tight finish. They have not been winning games convincingly and, in the championship, they have not been winning games at all.

There may be no significant correlation between four-day and one-day form, but it cannot be easy for any side to emerge from a string of indifferent performances and turn on the glitz on the big day. It is this that will encourage Yorkshire, whose cricket remains assertive in all three competitions where they retain an interest. Strictly on form, it is they who should be favourites, but the suspicion persists that the occasion, and the proximity of glory, will affect their game more than Lancashire's.

The weather forecast, at least, seems to be in Yorkshire's favour and will encourage them to include Michael Bevan, who must catch an evening flight out of Heathrow to link up with the Australia side. Bevan played the resolute innings that carried Yorkshire to a quarter-final win over Lancashire at Headingley last year and he, for one, will relish the pressures of the day.

The same applies to Essex's Australian, Stuart Law, who will be on a different aircraft tonight bound for the same place as Bevan. Law has made Il centuries for Essex in all cricket, including at least one in each of the four leading competitions and one against the touring team. Not even Graham Gooch has achieved this in a single season.

Gooch has already played in six Lord's finals and will not have many more opportunities to play a seventh. He is batting as well as ever, though, and on a ground where he has traditionally made runs, Surrey will be Surrey have won nothing

since 1982, but they remain in strong contention for three trophies this summer and are arguably best suited by the regulations of the NatWest They bat deep and powerfully and have sufficient all-rounders to make up the ideal oneday side. A final between Surrey and Yorkshire would be evocative of bygone days. but it would also reflect the emerging areas of strength.



# kinson sets out new agenda

By Peter Ball

HOWARD WILKINSON'S reconstruction of Leeds United took another step yesterday when he completed the signing of Lee Sharpe, Manchester United's former England left winger, for £4.5 million. Sharpe signed a four-year contract on the Elland Road pitch in front of around 100 cheering supporters — rather fewer than turn up for the average day's training at Manchester United.

Sharpe anyway had few illusions about the direction he has taken. "It is going to be different and a bit weird," he said, "I shall perhaps be a bigger fish in a smaller pond, rather than the other way round at Old Trafford, but I'm looking forward to it. "When you've been some-

where for eight years, it is a wrench to leave, and when you the Charity Shield, you wonder about leaving such a good team. But the most I could have expected was a place on the bench and getting on for 20 minutes here, half an hour "I wasn't enjoying my foot-

ball because I wasn't playing regularly in my best position, wide on the left, and that meant I wasn't getting the consistency. Leeds are on a rebuilding programme, and it

is an exciting time for me. attention of Glenn Hoddle, the There are new players, a new manager, and that's a new

Johnny Giles and Gordon Strachan accepted similar circumstances when they left Old Trafford for Elland Road. Sharpe may not be quite in their league, but he will relish one of the challenges Wilkinson offered him, that of regaining his place in the England squad. Part of Sharpe's motivation

in leaving Manchester United was to secure regular first-team football and attract the left-sided player and, when

STRIKE by Nationwide

League players edged closer

yesterday when the Profes-

sional Footballers' Associ-

ation (PFA) announced its

(Russell Kempson writes).

The PFA went ahead with its

plans despite threats of legal

action from the Football

League if such steps were

Matters have come to a

head over the League's deci-

sion to stop paying the tradi-

tional ten per cent of its

television revenue to the PFA.

At the League's last annual

meeting, a resolution was

passed that any future pay-

new England manager. He has received immediate encouragement from Wilkinson, "Glenn phoned me last week and expressed his disappointment at the dearth of leftsided players," said the Leeds

manager.
I said to Lee, slightly tongue in cheek, that I would phone Glenn and tell him we might have solved his problem. Prior to his illness and injury, on that side Lee had no peer. When Gary Speed left, I

ments should be on a "discre-

On Sunday, at a PFA man-

agement committee meeting

in Manchester, it was unani-

bers for a mandate to strike.

Mick McGuire, assistant

chief executive of the PFA,

focuses the minds of the

League. Ir's a fundamental

issue and it's important our

members vote on it. This sets

the process in motion. We're

aware that the League has

threatened to take legal action

to stop us, but it's an industri-

al dispute and we're entitled

to ballot our members."

Extras (to 14, w 3, nb 18) ......

Second Innings

W P C Weston c Boje b Smith
M J Church c sub b Smith
M J Church c sub b Smith
K R Spring c Liebenberg b Gilder
V S Schanh libw b Gilder
D A Leatherdale c sub b Pringle
J T Raiph c Liebenberg b Pringle
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M Amad c sub b Smith
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"I hope this action

tionary" basis.

difficult to get beyond Lee

Certainly, if Sharpe can recapture his form of three years ago, before a debilitating illness took a great deal out of him, Hoddle as well as Leeds will be happy. Leeds have good reason to remember the player of those days, Sharpe giving Mel Sterland, then the Leeds right back, a torrid time in the both legs of a League Cup semi-final, but Wilkinson also insisted that reports of his decline had been

which is 40 per cent owned by

News International, parent

company of The Times, and

those matches due to be

screened live. The FA Premier

League, which runs the FA

Carling Premiership, has a

separate deal with Sky and is

not involved in the present

Andy Williamson, assistant

secretary of the League, said:

"The PFA is oblivious to the

realities of football's new mar-

ket place. It seems that the

PFA is intent on setting out on

thinking. I only get that way halfway down the third bottle of wine. Leeds's form last season would make a resort to a third bottle of wine understandable, but Wilkinson is upbeat at the Players' strike looms larger League Cup final defeat that we would have to start again, and that's what we've done The League has signed a £25 million deal with Sky TV. this summer, started again."

As well as Sharpe, Lee Bowver has arrived from Charlton Athletic to bolster midfield. The signing of Nigel Martyn, from Crystal Palace, should solve a long-standing goalkeeping problem. Ian Rush has also arrived to provide goals and leadership - and the knowledge, gleaned from Liverpool, of how to win.

team which did the double last

season, so that's testimony

enough," he said. "But when

you've been a fit young foot-

baller roaring all over the

place and then you find your-

self sitting in a chair with the

feeling going out of your foot

and your arm and your face,

and you're virtually para-

lysed, it can change your

A lot of the off-the-field things I wanted to achieve have been achieved, but not all of them. If I could wave a magic wand this afternoon. I would probably sign two more players, but I can't," Wilkin**BOWLS** 

### **Johnston** struggles to stay in running

By GORDON ALLAN

MARGARET JOHNSTON. of Ireland, the holder, faced the distinct possibility of dropping out of the running for the women's world singles championship at Leamington Spa yesterday. In the morning, she lost 25-24 to Cora Howard-Williams, of Zimbabwe - her second consecutive defeat in the qualifying stages
—and, in the afternoon, on the
trickiest green of the five in
Victoria Park, she struggled to beat Maria Vasquez, of Argentina, 25-21. Defeat by Vasquez could have spelt the end of Johnston's chances of retain-

ing the title. Howard-Williams, from Bulawayo, trailed for more than half the match and was 24-23 down when she scored two shots on the 32nd end to win. Vasquez, a teacher from Buenos Aires, tied the scores three times and led more than once before Johnston, drawing on all her experience and despite being below her best. claimed the winning shot.
Joyce Lindores, of Scotland,

leads Johnston's section with an unbeaten record, after edging home 25-24 against Maureen Burns, of Kenya. Wendy Line of England, is one of five players a point behind Lindores. Line came from behind to defeat Matimba Like, a doctor from Zambia, 25-22 and then had an easier passage 25-16 against Litia Tikoisuva, of Fiji.

In the other section, Jo Peacock, of South Africa, shares the leadership with Rita Jones, of Wales, and two

South Africa are unbeaten in their section of the fours. with Scotland and England joint-third. New Zealand lead the other section, with Spain. perhaps unexpectedly, in second place. The England four - Norma Shaw, Jean Baker, Gill Fitzgerald and Mary Price — beat Ireland 18-13 and Botswana 22-12

Before the first bowl was rolled ten days ago, the consensus was that the home countries, being familiar with the greens and the conditions at Learnington, would domiise, the championships, as they did at Ayr in 1992.

Thus far, this has not been the case. Ireland won the pairs and Wales picked up the bronze medal in the triples, but England and Scotland finished out of the first three in both events. South Africa. with their triples gold and their fourth place in the pairs, were the team to catch the evemost often during the first

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Glamorgan v Leicestershire SWANSEA (final day of four): Glamor-gan (9pts) drew with Leicestershire (11) LEICESTERSHIRE: First layings 536 (B F Smith 190, P V Simmons 92, P A Cottey 4 for 49) Second Innings

G J Parsons not out Extras (b 4, lb 7, w 1, nb 2) . . . Total (7 wkts dec)

FALL OF WICKETS 1-14, 2-66, 3-99, 4-151, 5-161, 6-200, 7-220 BOWLING. Gibson 11-0-78-0. Thomas 9-0-51-2; Croft 17-2-47-4. Butcher 2-0-16-0; Colley 7-0-22-0. Maynard 2-0-6-0. GLAMORGAN: First Immings 433 (P A Cottey 203, O D Gibson 97; P V Simmons 5 for 62) Second Innings

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80WLING Mills 5-1-19-0 Parsons 6-1-15-0; Pierson 20-4-75-2 Birmson 27-6-85-3: Wells 6-4-3-0. Simmons 10-4-30-1; Macmiltan 12-2-44-2 Umpires A.A. Jones and R.A. White

Hampshire v Gloucestershire SOUTHAMPTON (final day of lour): Hampshire (20pts) beat Gloucestershire

(4) by 63 runs HAMPSHIRE: First trinings 186 (M Keech 55: C A Watsh 5 for 34) Second Immigs 358 (R A Smith 77, W S Kenctall 63. M Keech 61, K D James 50, M W Alleyne 4 for 86) GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First trirings 164 (D R Hewson 87; C A Connor 9 for 38)

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4-205, 5-248, 6-253, 7-253, 8-271. BOWLING: Connor 24-3-96-0; Stephen-son 12-1-43-0; Udal 30 5-7-82-5; Maru 33-17-50-3; James 15-5-33-1

Sussex v Derbyshire HCVE (final day of four): Perbyshi (23pts) beat Sussex (6) by 47 runs DERBYSHIRE: First Innings 320 (K . Barneti 55, T J G O'Gorman 54) Second Irrings 220 (A S Rollins 78 not out: V C Drakes 5 for 47) SUSSEX: First innings 266 (M P Speight 122 not out; D E Malcolm 5 for 119) Second Innings

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K Newell low b Dean ... 31
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R J Kirtley b Malcolm ... 7
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BOWLING. Malcolm 25-6-96-5 DeFretas 17-1-59-3, Dean 15-3-57-1; Vandrau 8-2-11-1. Umpires 6 Dudieston and R Pairner.

Warwickshire v Durham EDGBASTON (final day of four) Warwickshire (23pls) beat Durham (6) by 282 runs WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings 306 (D P Ostler 86, N M K Smith 64, D M Cox 5 for

Second Innings 351 for 9 dec (W.G.Khan 130. A J.Moles 74, D.R. Brown 51; D.M. Cox 5 for 139) DURHAM: First Innings 255 (S L Campbell 64 P Balnbridge 54; N M K Smith 5 for 76)

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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-21, 2-24, 3-32, 4-49, 5-67, 6-76, 7-92, 8-101, 9-126 BOWLING: Pollock 9-3-29-0: Munton 10-2-29-3, Gales 18-5-45-6; Smith 18-4-25-1 Umpres. J D Bond and G Sharp. Tour match

Worcestershire v South Africa A WORCESTER (final day of four): South Ainca A beat Worcestershire by 172 runs SOUTH AFRICA A: First Innings 202 IJ B Commins 61, B E A Preece 4 for 79, P A Thomas 4 for 33)

SCOREBOARDS G F J Liebenberg c Rhodes b Leatherdale ..... H H Gibbs c Ralph b Bits ... 

> FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-11, 3-76, 4-87, 5-96, 6-114, 7-185, 8-194, 9-235. BOWLING: Thomas 20-0-109-3, Elis 5-1-22-1; Precca 16-1-80-2; Leatherdale 16-2-75-4; Amjad 4-0-25-0 WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings 77 (G Gilder 8 for 22) Glamorgan (16) 11 Worcs (10)......11 Hampshire (13) 11 Gloucs (6) .

Extras (b. 18, lb. 7, w. 2, nb. 22) ...... FALL OF WICKETS 1-29, 2-34, 3-54, 4-98, 5-107, 6-232, 7-259, 8-260, 9-268. BOWLING Gilder 19 3-5-43-2; Smith 25-5-70-4; Pringle 27-6-90-4; Adams 5-1-12-0; Crookes 1-0-7-0; Gibbs 4-0-15-0; Boje 3-0-16-0. Umpires. B Leadbeater and N G Cowley

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# Brooks displays mark of champion

By JOHN HOPKINS GOLF CORRESPONDENT IN LOUISVILLE, RENTUCKY

ONCE you know that Mark Brooks, the new US PGA champion, is Texan, certain other facts fall into place. It follows, for example, that he hits the ball low and is a doughty, tough competitor because Texans who grew up playing golf in the wind almost always are. Just look at Ben Hogan, Byron Nelson and Lee Trevino. They all shared that essential Texan characteristic of thinking themselves better than anyone else and then quite often going out and demonstrating it.

So it was no surprise on Sunday afternoon that Brooks, who had led for three holes midway through the final round, should hoist himself back into a tie with Kenny Perry with a birdie at the 72nd hole at Valhalla Golf Club before birdying it again 20 minutes later to defeat Perry. That is what tough Texans do - they do what is necessary to get the job done without any fanfare and frolics. Then they sit there, as Brooks did after his victory, without a flicker of expression on his face and say: "I am very happy."

Brooks, 35, became the fifteenth different winner of the past to major championships, the third thirty-something this year to win his first major championship, after Steve Jones, 37, in the US Open and Tom Lehman, 37, the Open champion. It was his third victory in the United States this year and it was no real surprise. He had also finished third in the 1995 Open and fifth this year.

It takes time to get to know Brooks. He comes from Fort Worth and even other Texans acknowledge such men as slightly less talkative and unemotional than the rest. His wife is named Cynthia and he is probably the only professional on the US Tour who lists cooking as a recreation.

Brooks's father was a minis-ter, who died of cancer. This does not make Brooks a bornagain Christian, as are Jones and Lehman, but, rather, a God-fearing man who does not bother anyone with his religious beliefs and is tolerant and understanding of the vicissitudes of life. For some years now, he has hosted a golf tournament in memory of his father and given the proceeds to Brooks House, which

By Patricia Davies

PAUL McGINLEY, the new Austri-

an Open golf champion, was one of

the star attractions at Woburn yester-

day. For self-evident reasons, the

Irishman was spared having to

qualify for the Weetabix Women's

British Open but he was on hand to

provide moral support for Allison

Shapcott, his fiancée, and his

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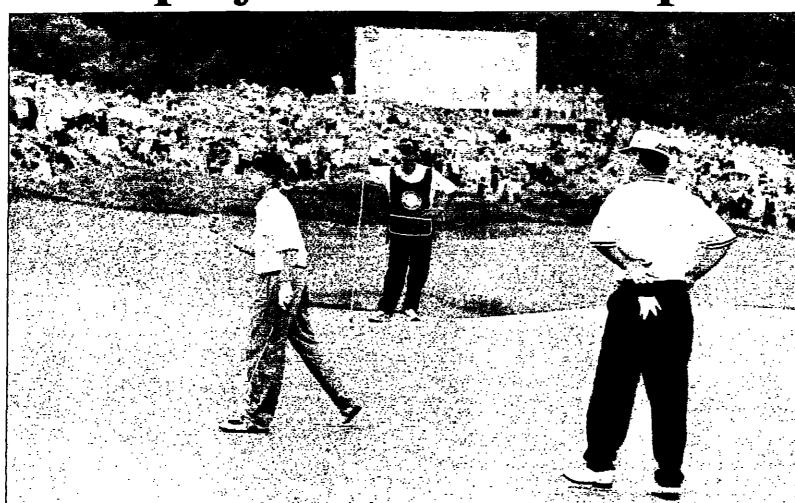
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Brooks punches the air in celebration after beating Perry in the play-off for the US PGA title. Photograph: David Cannon/Allsport

provides counselling for troubled adolescents.

The events late on Sunday afternoon not only told us a lot about Brooks; they also taught us a few more things you are not supposed to do when you are about to win a major championship. In recent years, Ed Sneed, Severiano Ballesteros, of all people, and Jesper Parnevik have each demonstrated how to lose a championship that they ought to have won.

In the 1979 Masters, Ed Sneed walked off the 69th green at Augusta National Golf Club with a three-stroke lead and thought to himself: "It is impossible not to win."
He dropped shots at each of the last three holes and lost the play-off to Fuzzy Zoelier.

In the fourth round of the 1986 Masters, Ballesteros's second shot on the 13th rolled to within a few feet of the flag. setting up the eagle that would put him in the lead. As he

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Duke's Course earned Shapcott a

place in an eight-woman play-off

and, after seven extra holes, she

ended up as second reserve for the

championship, which starts on

Thursday. How she could have done

with McGinley's closing 62, nine

It is no mean feat to qualify these

under par, in Litschau on Sunday.

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approached the green, his brother Vicente, who was caddying for him, walked waving to the crowd as if the Masters was as good as won. Two holes later, Ballesteros yanked a four-iron into the water and Jack Nicklaus won the Masters.

In the 1994 Open, Jesper Parnevik held a three-stroke lead over Nick Price moments after he had driven on the 72nd hole. He did not know this because he had not looked at any leaderboards and, thinking he had to birdie the 18th, or at worst make par, he



Brooks: kisses his prize

was too aggressive with his second shot. He missed the green and took a five and Nick Price went on to win.

To these solecisms, or demonstrations of hubris, can be added that you do not do as Perry did on Sunday afternoon and walk from the 71st

joined the exempt quartet if she had

had a par instead of a triple bogey

seven at the 13th on the King's Course

in the last round. She had to make

the trek from Perthshire to Woburn,

to tee off at 8am on the Duke's and it

proved too much: she returned to the

but now based in the United States,

Stephanie Lowe, born in Cheshire

drawing board with an 82.

Shapcott unable to emulate McGinley's excellence teed off a few hours later, and a round of 72, one under par, on the

green to the 72nd tee exchang-

ing high-fives with spectators

even if, or perhaps because.

you hold a two-stroke lead.

You do not hit your drive from

the 72nd tee without having

looked at the scoreboards to

know precisely what your

rivals are doing. And, lastly,

having finished your round.

you do not go and commentate

on television on the efforts of

your rivals to catch you - and

then find, when one does, that

you have no time left to warm

The fact that Perry made

these mistakes suggests that

he was not major champion-

ship material anyway. Brooks

would have taken himself off

somewhere to watch his rivals

and then gone to the driving range to hit some balls so that

his eye was in at the start of the

play-off. But that is the differ-

ence between the two men.

That is is why Brooks is the

champion and Perry merely a

up for the play-off.

Duke's was her reward. WOBURN QUALIFIERS (GB and ire unless stated) Duchess Course; 69: Li Won-Lin (Tarwan), N Harvey (Can), M Madill 70: B Pestane (SA) 71: E Knuth (Sp). 72: R Nugent, T Alabok (Sp), P Rigby-Jinglov (Swe). F Pice (Jaus, 73: C Duffy, M Adamson (SA), S Head, M Sutton Duffy, Adamson and Head qualified after play-off; Sutton of first reserve Duke's Course; 68: P Stemer (Swe) 70: M Hagaman (Holl) 71: L Jensen (US), F Purser (Aus), 72: F Yamazaki (Japan), Buzton, S Lowe, M De Boor (Holl), M Amat-Borda (Sp) 73: S Farron (NZ), L Encsson (Swe), F Speak, A Shapcott, H Dobson, M McKintay, C Schmitt (Fr), M Sakamoto (Can), Farron, Encsson and Speak qualified after play-off; Shapcott is second reserve.

#### days, with 139 players vying for the 12 places available on each course and ionship at Gleneagles on Sunday. proved a better traveller, coping with a transatlantic flight with apparent Spare a thought for Sarah Bennett. the scoring generally respectable. On the Duchess, par was not good the Essex woman who would have ease. She flew in yesterday morning,

By Mel Webb

CORPORATE

GOLF

Challenge draws crowd

enough, with four people playing off

on 73, one under. Mandy Sutton, of

England, was the one to miss out, but

Helen Wadsworth, Kathryn Mar-

shall, Joanne Mills and Maria

yesterday but they were able to

Hjorth were all scheduled to play

luxuriate in a day off after qualifying via the McDonald's WPGA Champ-

she is on stand-by as first reserve.

THERE is good news from the tournament office of The Times MeesPierson Corporate Golf Challenge, With the arrival of the peak season for entries, 775 companies have already registered their golf days with the event, a figure that gives every indication that the Challenge is heading for a

record-breaking year. "We are now in the main booking period," John Mitchell, the event director, said yesterday. "If the pattern of the first three years of the Challenge is repeated, we have probably got about 75 per cent of our entries in by now and that is marvellous news

for the rest of the season." The high quality of the Challenge - an amateur event run to the most rigorous professional standards means that almost without exception the entrants from last season will be back. A good number of the 750-odd companies that played in the competition last year have already entered for this year's

One of the Challenge's most potent recruiting aids has been the strength of business networking. "A couple of years ago people could have been foreiven for not knowing about the event," Mitchell said. "I would be prepared to bet that very few companies that hold golf days in the British Isles will not have heard of it now. I estimate that probably 30 per cent of our entries are directly attribut-

able to word of mouth." The key factor behind the competition's continued growth is its simplicity. The added value that registration with the Challenge represents is simply enormous.

The leading 25 teams in E E E each of 12 regions will go into the regional finals, the win-THE WAS TIMES Mees Pierson ners of which then go on to play in the national final in front of the Sky Sports cameras at the Hyatt La Manga Club Resort in southeast Spain in November. For the winners, the glory

Corporate golf days have always been pleasant ways to thank clients and staff for their business and their loyalty but, once held, the memory of them fades rapidly. If the day is registered with the Challenge, that memory is naturally extended as players examine the sports pages of The Times to see if the score of their four best players in the golf day is still in contention for a place in the regional final series in

"It is hard to see why any company or business would not enter the Challenge, Mitchell said. "One of the strengths of the competition is that the team representing the company is selected on merit. and not simply picked and paid for like some other competitions in this country.

"This means that there is an opportunity for everybody playing in the golf day to compete for a place in the team that will contend for a place in the regional finals."

The concept behind the Challenge is simple. The host company holds an 18-hole Stableford competition off seven-eighths handicap, and the leading four players, one of whom must be an employee of the host company, make up the score that will be forwarded to the Challenge offices.

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does not stop there. For the

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the Challenge can be obtained

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MUNDUNGUS (c) Evil-smelling tobacco. Not, as you might nose it, from dung, but from mondongo, the Spanish for tripe. An obsolete archaism largely unknown today, but worth a revival as a synonym for pipe tobacco. When your pipe-smoking colleague enters your neck of the open plan, you say: "Ah, still enjoying the old mundungus, Alan?" He cuts his visit short in order to go and look up the word while he can still remember it. While you look up the next pedantic insult. up the next pedantic insult.

(b) To twitch or cause to twitch, from the Latin word. "There is no need for all that velication, Tim. Mother does not visit us very often. And it's the only opportunity she gets to listen to all her Cliff Richards records on a really good stereo system."

(a) Having crowded, thick or woolly leaves, from the Greek for with shaggy leaves. Applying anthropomorphism to this pompous botanical epithet, we could so characterise a purpose-clad skier in full fig and fixtures. REDHIBITION

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RADIO CHOICE

# Rediscovery of America

Being American. Radio 4, 8.30pm.

One sentence, not by him. in Simon Parkes's report sums up what goes on inside the "real" American, not the television soap or movie stereotype. A slogan on a school wall in the Rio Grande Valley says: stereotype. A slogan on a school wall in the Rio Grande Valley says: "You can't spell success without a YOU." Parkes discovers that there "You can't spell success without a YOU." Parkes discovers that there are church-led organisations throughout the United States that are are church-led organisations throughout the United States that are encouraging self-disadvantaging people to throw off the belief that "I'm not on TV, therefore I'm not real". Put more positively, the "I'm not on TV, therefore I'm not real". Put more positively, the campaigners aim is to narrow the gap between American creed as embodied in the Declaration of Independence and American action. Their iron rule is "never do for others what they can do for themselves" — a social code that will not recommend itself to every themselves" - a social code that will not recommend itself to every unquestioning do-gooder.

BBC Proms 1996. Radio 3. 7.20pm.

For Barry Tuckwell, the best-known horn player in the country, tonight is hail and farewell night — "hail" because he gives the first London performance of a new horn concerto by Oliver Knussen and I-farewell" because this will be his last performance on a concert platform. From now on, he will concentrate on what he has already begun to do — conducting and some teaching. He recalls the past and contemplates the future when interviewed by Chris de Souza (8.20pm). He will also perform Mozart's Horn Concerto No 3. The orchestra is the Philharmonia. orchestra is the Philharmonia.

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#### RADIO 5 LIVE

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#### TALK RADIO

6.30am Paul Ross 10.00 Scott Chishoim 1.00pm Anna Raebum 3.00 Tommy Boyd 5.00 Peter Deeley 7.00 Sports Zone 10.00 James Whate

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5.30am Europe Today 8.30 Europe
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#### CLASSIC FM

4.00am Mark Griffiths 6.00 Mike Read 9.00 Nick Bailey 12.00 Susannah Simons 2.00pm Lunchtime Concerto. Ditersdori (Vola Concerto In F major) 3.00 Jamie Crok 6.00 Classic Newsnight 6.30 Sonata Nicholas Etierne Mehul (Pleno Sonata in A minor) 7.00 The Opera Guide 8.00 Evening Concert. Ireland (A London Overture; Orchestral Poem in A minor); Brahms (A Germal/Requiem) 10.00 Michael Mappin, in 5-11.35 Noctume 1.00am Mel Cooper

#### VIRGIN RADIO

6.00am Russ 'n' Jono 9.00 Richard Skriner 12,00 Graham Dene 4.00pm. Nicky Home 7.00 Paul Coyte (FM) / Robin Banks (AM) 10.00 Mark

#### RADIO 3

6.00am On Air. Presented by Penny Gore. Includes Ravel (Valses nobles et Dale (Impromtu, Op 3, Night Fancies): Locke (Music for His Majesty's Sagbutts and Cornetts); Stenhammer (Incidental music: Chira); spagnuola); Robert White

(Magnifical)

9.00 Morning Collection with
Paul Gambaccini. Include
Bach (Violin Concerto in E,

BWV 1042); Villa-Lobos (Viola Quedrada); Strauss (Also sprach Zarathustra) 10.00 Musical Encounters. Introduced by Nicola Heywood Thomas, Includes

Handel (Hercules, excerpt); Kreisler (Praeludium und Allegro) 10.10 Proms Artist of the Week: Judith Howarth re rees. Joint roward, soprano. Walton (Troilus and Cressida, excerpt) 10.30 Schumarn (Arabeske) Brahms (Symphony No 1 in C minor) 11.25 Mozant (Ave minor) 11.25 Mozari (Ave verum corpus); Prokoliev (National Dance, Romeo and Juliet); Walton (Troilus and Cressida, excerpt): Rossini (Wind Quartel No 2)

(Wind Quariet No 2)
12.00 Composer of the Week:
Beethoven
1.00 Guildhall String Ensemble
at Doual Abbey. Recorded
last year. Robert Salter, violin,
Paul Nicholson, organ.
Includes works by Mozart,
Mendelssohn, Handel, David
Lago, and Wiren.

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plano Weber (Seven Verlations from Silvana, Op 33); Onslow (Cello Sonata in C minor, Op 16 No 2) (r) 3.10 The BBC Orchestras. The Wales, under Tadaeki Otalea.
With Margaret Price, soprano, and Tasmin Little, violin.
Haydri (Carntaia: Berenice. Concerto in E minor): Mahler (Symphony No 4) 5.00 The Music Machine, with KR

Hesketh-Harvey 5.15 in Tune. Introduced by Jeremy Nicholas Includes Fauré, arr Kulling (Souvenirs de Bayreuth); Glinka, arr

Balakirev (Reminiscences of A Life of the Tsar); Shostakovich (Symphony No 9) 7.30 BBC Proms 1996, See

Choice 9.40 Cultural Baggage: The Solary

(2/4) (r)

10.05 Handel and Paradies.
Robert Wooley plays the
Kirkman harpsichord at

Berrington Half, near Leominster. Handel (Suite No 6 in F sharp minor, HWV 431). Paradies (Sonata No 6.

431), Paradies (Sonata No 6 in A), Handel (Suite No 5 in E, HWV 430)

10.45 Down the Dirt Road: The Life and Music of Charille Patton. Russell Devies travels to Chicago and the Mississippi Delta in search for stories of the life of one of the great bluesmen in)

great bluesman (r)
11.30 Composer Of the Week:
Stravinsky (r)
12.30am Jazz Notes, with Richard

1.00 Through the Night, with Donald Macleod Includes 2.15 berio, Liszt and Brahms

Kaleidoscope (FM). A report from the Edinburgh Festival on a production of Elsinore —

a vanation on Shakespeare's

4.45 Short Story: An Alternative

Weather
5.55 Cricket: Natwest Trophy
6.00 Six O'Clock News (FM)
6.30 A Whole New Ball Game
(FM), Martin Devies's comedy
about lootball, faith and family
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(3/6) (r) 7.00 News 7.05 The Archers

Romance (FM). Susie Magure reads iris Doyle's

#### RADIO 4 4.00 News (FM) 4.05

5.55am Shipping Forecast (LW only) 6.00 News Briefing incl Weather 6.10 Famming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today incl 7.25, 8.25 Sport 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.40 The Changing Forest (2/5) 8.58 Weather 9.00 News 9.05 Call Nick Ross: 0171-580 4444

0171-580 4444 News; Journeys to the ice (FM). Haydn Price takes on the ultimate voyage and travels to Antarctica

travels to Antarctica 10.00 Daily Service (LW) 10.15 On This Day (LW) 10.30 Woman's Hour 10.30 Cricket: Natwest Trophy Semi-Finals (LW), Coverage

of the games between Yorkshire and Lancashire at Old Trafford and Surrey and Essex at the Oval Medicine Now (FM), with Geoff Watts Geoff Watts
12.00 News; You and Yours (FM), with Leslie Riddoch
12.25pm Cross Questioned (FM).
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2.00 News; The Deep Season:
Soundings (FM). Jonathan
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writing on the sea (2/3)
2.00 Cricket: Natwest Trophy
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2.30 Dancing for a Living (FM).
Lynne Walter talks to the
dancer Ann Emery (6/6)
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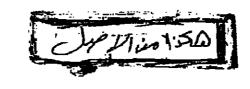
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7.20 File on 4, with Julian
O'Halloran
8.00 Science Now, with Alun
Lewis (r)
8.30 Being American. See Choice
9.00 In Touch. Peter White with
news, views and information
for visually impaired people
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10.00 The World Tonight, with
Owen Bennett Jones
10.45 Book at Bedtime:
Washington Square, by
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11.00 Mediumwave (r) 11.30 Mixtured In Music, The pianist Emanuel Ax talks about the character and spirit of the USA (2/6) (r) 12.00 News incl 12.27am approx

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History. William Hope reads
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# Take your partners for a dance and for life

B oth of my feet are fluent, but not at the same time. This has restricted my danging which derives from jitterbug and has restricted my dancing career: I have friends who can remember all five minutes of it. Dancing was taught at my grammar school, but so was algebra. My head never grasped 6 + x = 13. my feet never conquered the waltz.

That seemed not to matter as a teenager, when dancing only in-solved being in the same building as the girl. I could manage that, most of the time. But it appears from Strictly Daucing (Channel 4) that couples are back, which means that I am not.

This promises to be a fascinating series, even for me. Especially for me. Dancing on television is much like cookery: just because the opening instruction "separate an " involves an unconquerable egg" involves an unconquestion skill, there is no reason to run for cover. Mystery enchants.

The first in this six-part series was about ceroc. or "C'est Le Roc"

jive, attracts 1,500 people a week to classes in London. I expect it will soon be an Olympic sport.

The programme included some separate-an-egg bits, but not enough to put one off. "Man steps in. placing woman's right hand behind his head". Yes, got that. But later: "Man turns woman anticlockwise behind his back, catching her spare hand behind him". .. Reviewer places hand on top of head, starts scratching, dislocates shoulder.

Ceroc is mostly danced to uptempo music from the 1940s and 1950s and is not associated with stimulants. A Rave, it ain't. A participant explained that the social side involved "mostly soft drinks", because ceroc requires "a lot of spinning". The dance has also bred a subculture, with its own argot.

Ceroc has one thing in common

with other dances. As Bernard Shaw put it: "Dancing is a perpendicular expression of a horizontal desire." Or as Afrakuma Bannerman, a psychologist and ceroc-er (cerocodist?), said in the programme: "It's a dance that involves a lot of interesting. flirtatious getting-to-know-eachother, it's extremely sexual and exciting and very passionate."

The ceroc age range is said to be 18 to 35, a mere bagatelle to the couples in Modern Times: Years Apart (BBC2). The classic cautionary tale about what can happen when a middle-aged person gets involved with young person has a man saying: "Where were you when Kennedy was shot?" The incredulous girl replies:

Ted Kennedy was shot!?" The oddity about the three couples last night was that none of them emphasised this often-fatal lack of a shared history, the ab-

REVIEW



Peter Barnard

sence of the reference points that litter conversation between people of roughly the same age.

Perhaps it doesn't matter. These couples had been together for several years, ten in one case. They were Michael, 50 and Veneta, 18, Stephen, 28, and Virginia, 56, Kathryn, 17 and Alan, 44. As usual with the infuriating Modern Times habit of not using narration. one needed investigative reporting

techniques to work out more than the barest details.

The barest details of Veneta were easiest to uncover: she is a stripper. But Stephen and Virginia were the most interesting pair. Virginia is a year older than Stephen's mother, who is not reconciled to the relationship. Stephen could scarce care less: "If anything upsets us we say bye-bye to it, because I'm spending the rest of my married life with Virginia, not my mother".

Virginia says that "we are alone in our own little world", what Stephen calls their "love bubble". They frequently kiss while pushing a trolley round the supermarket: it was enough to melt the heart

of a frozen cabbage. Stephen brought Virginia tea in bed, where he read her extracts from the newspapers. I suppose all this should be touching, but I had the sense that this was a relationship wearing kid gloves, with its

exterior walls hermetically sealed against intruders.

The young women seemed far more relaxed and assured about their relationships than the older men. And less inclined to selfjustification. Alan said: "I think we are of a very similar age as far as souls are concerned." Soul matery sounds a bit of a last resort.

Still, forget hair clinics, chaps, Veneta is a cure for baldness. Mike had age spots on the back of his hands and was losing his hair before he met Veneta. Now the hair is growing back and the spots have gone. About the only way Mike could lose Veneta is if she becomes available on prescription.

eoff Schumann used to be a schoolteacher, but one night, at a venue for black comedians, he went on stage. Now he is a comedian. The Day That Changed My Life: Funny Business (BBC2) featured him on stage and off. Its best aspect was in the

The last people to hear about the career change were Schumann's family. They were not amused. "My son the schoolteacher", as Schumann's sister put it, had become "my son the struggling comic". Schumann's father was more sad than angry, perhaps more bewildered than either.

The "black comedy" circuit is a small one and will stay small. given the number of black comedians who said in the programme that playing white venues was a sell-out if it involved adjusting the

Schumann, who has appeared at The Comedy Store and on television in The Real McCoy. clearly has talent and is happy. Long hours touting for business and performing have strained the relationship with his partner, but a love bubble with a slow puncture isn't the end of the world. Is it?

#### 746 TA BEST 6.00am Business Breakfast (95313) 7.00 BBC Breakfast News (Ceelax) (59771) 9.00 Breakfast News Extra (Ceelax) (2936313)

9.20 Delia Smith's Summer Collection (7553684)

9.50 Gourmet Ireland (5997684) 10.20 FILM: Trouble in Store (1953, b/w) with Norman Wisdom. Wisdom plays a department store clerk whose ambition is to be a window-dresser Directed by John Paddy Carstairs (8654313)

11.50 Lifetimes In a Day (8724665) 12.00 News (Ceefax) (1689400) 12.05pm The Alphabet Game (4922503) 12.35 Neighbours (Ceefax) (s) (6760706) 1.00 One O 'Clock News (Ceelax) (32058) 1.30 Regional News (42971955)

1.40 Smail Talk (58083961) 2.10 Loveloy (1407941) 3.05 Knots Landing (4224348) 3.50 Cricket(535329) 5.35 Neighbours. Much to Philip's surprise, Jen confesses all(r) (Ceefax) (s) (812936)

6.00 Six O'Clock News (Ceefax)(936) 6.30 Regional News magazines (416) 7.00 Watchdog: Value for Money (Ceefax) (s) (6077) EastEnders. David faces some tough questioning from Joe. Felix takes Sonia's little problem to heart. Ruth faces a

terrible dilemma at the nursery. With Michael French and Natalie Čassidv (Ceetax) (s) (400) 8.00 Dawn to Dusk Sefarl: Airborne in the Serengeti. Jonathan Scott's Africa safari takes to the

air for a trip across Tanzania's magnificent wilderness, the Serengeti 8.30 Goodnight Sweetheart: Nice Work If You Can Get It. Garv's new career as a 1940s entertainer is taking off. But can he stand the strain of two opening nights in two different eras? With Nicholas

Lyndhurst, Dervia Kirwan and Michelle Holmes (4232) 9.00 Nine O'Clock News (Ceefax) regiona

news and weather (2042) 9.30 Out of This World. Carol Vorderman and Chris Choi explore the paranormal. Chris goes in search of big cats in the British countryside (788145)

10.15 FILM: Jumpin' Jack Flash (1986) with Whoopi Goldberg. Computer processor Terri Dolittle is plunged into a web o intrigue involving a sinister repairman played by James Belushi, a crippled diplomat, played by Roscoe Lee Browne, Krabbe Directed by Penny Marshall

11.55 FILM: Crossing Delencey (1988) with Army Irving and Peter Riegert. Romantic comedy about a New York bookshop manager who, despite protesting that she is not looking for a husband, finds herself courted by a charming and sophisticated author and by Sam Posner, the owner of a local pickle business. Adapted by Susan Sandler from her own stage play Directed by Joan Micklin Silver (810706)

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1.30am Weather (6817559)

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(r) (7632145) 9.50 Puppydog Tales (3150110) 10.00 Playdays (7260690) 10.25 Cricket. Coverage of the NatWest trophy

12.45pm The History Man (33118665) 12.50 Holiday Outings (33202058) 1.00 Charlie Chalk (r) (s) (45079145) 1.15 A Week to Remember (b/w) (24928042) 1.25 Cricket Includes News at 3.00 (48896313) 3.55 News (3423329)

4.00 Cartoon (5672416) 4.05 The Family Ness (r) (5671787) 4.10 Little Mouse on the Prairie (2193619) **4.30 Ocean** Odyssey (s) (313) **5.00 Newsround** (1334333)

5.10 Byker Grove (r) (Ceetax) (4305023) 5.35 Cricket. Live coverage of the NatWest trophy semi-finals (s) (61916329)

7.30 Black Britain: Black Beauty. Why beauty contests have come back with a vengeance in black communities (Ceefax) (s) (482)

8.00 Picture This: Moving Image. Four years after a stranger walked into the study of Dr Elizabeth Howe at the Open University summer school and killed her, her husband Jeremy reflects on his loss. His emotional journey takes him to the room where his wife died (Ceetax) (s) (7139)

8.30 Tracks, Lindsay Cannon discovers the secrets of dendrochronology - the science of establishing the age of trees (Ceefax) (s) (2874)



Robert Duval as McCrae (9.00pm)

9.00 Lonesome Dove: Leaving. (1/4) Awardvinning drama of love and adventure in the American West. Gus McCrae and Woodrow Call are peacefully retired Texas Rangers, in the small Texas town of Lonesome Dove An old Inend of dubious repute arrives, telling tales of lortunes to be made in uncharted Montana. The pair are persuaded to undertake a hazardous cattle drive to build an empire in the new land (r) (Ceetax) (s) (1313)

10.30 Newsnight (Ceefax) (985665) 11.15 Cricket, Highlights of today's semi-finals in the NatWest Trophy (205428) Followed by Weather

12.30am The Learning Zone: Princes and Peoples(87530) 1.00 Building by Numbers (29207) 1.30 Bajourou Music of Mail (35356) 2.00 Summer Nights(85917) 4.00 Languages: España Viva, Diez Temas, Spanish Globo, Bon Mot (75443)

Dawn to Dusk Safari: Airborne in the Screngeti BBC1, 8.00pm

For his latest wildlife adventure, Jonathan Scott joins the veteran film-maker Alan Root for a flight over the Serengeti in Tanzania. Since Serengeti means "land of endless space", an aircraft is not a bad way of getting around it. Having said that, Root chooses other means of transport, such as hot air balloon, lour-wheel drive or even shanks's pony, for seeing the animals up close. The cast list is impressive, taking in vultures, a cheetah, a couple of lionesses, the migrating wildebeest and dung beetles rolling their ball of manure. And there are crocodiles, flashing their 66 teeth and, says Root, far less shy of the camera than they used to be. But casual photographers should be warned that twice in the past few years the crocs have eaten rangers who ventured too near.

Picture This: A Moving Image BBC2, 8.00pm

Jeremy Howe experienced the profoundest possible grief when Lizzie, the wife to whom he was devoted, was brutally and inexplicably murdered. She was teaching at an Open University summer school in York when a student, a total stranger, broke into her room and savaged her with a knife. Four years on Howe is still trying to come to terms with his feelings and make some sort of sense of what happened. He sees his film as a contribution to that process, an attempt to convey to a wider audience what it means to lose a loved one, to suffer that loss in the glare of media publicity and to have to explain the killing to his two young daughters. In the climax of the film Howe tries to exorcise the pain by travelling to York and visiting the room where Lizzie died. You can tell from his reaction that it took courage.

War Cries: Baseball in Irish History Channel 4, 8,00nm

The Irish novelist Robert Wilson affects nuzzlement at the fact that baseball bats are selling so well in Northern Ireland when the province has only one team. It is the one moment of levity in a sombre film. Wilson is using the War Cries soap box to protest about the so-called punishment beatings by the paramilitaries. Baseball bats, along with iron bars, hammers and bricks, are the instruments of this unofficial justice which as Wilson points out, assumes that its victims are guilty and allows them no chance to defend themselves. Horrific photographs smashed and bloodied limbs underpin Wilson's point that taking the law into your hands has no place in a democracy. "We need a word for this kind of stuff," he observes, and does not have to look far in the

True Stories: Julia's Daughter Channel 4, 9.00pm

We have met Julia on television before. A young woman who is both blind and deaf. she became pregnant and was determined to have the child and look after it despite the absence of the father. Marilyn Gaunt's film brings the story up to date. Julia is bound to provoke mixed reactions. She has enormous courage and makes light of her handicaps. Against most expert predictions she proves to be an excellent mother, coping much better than anybody dared to hope. But the flip side to her independence is a cussedness and refusal to submit to authority. The social workers and carers who set out to help her are abused for their kindness. It is no surprise that few of them last long. Meanwhile, baby Ayla flourishes and Julia acquires a steady boyfriend. Soon a second child is on the way but the plot still has a Peter Waymark

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6.00am GMTV (4032400)

9.25 Halfway Across the Galaxy and Turn Left (r) (Teletext) (7556771) 9.50 Hope and Gloria (5982752) 10.20 ITN News (5208110)

10.25 Regional News (5207481) 10.30 Cartoon Time (2284961) 10.40 Fall from Grace with James Fox and Patsy Kensit (41178481)

12.20pm Regional News (1685684) 12.30 ITN Lunchtime News (6756503) 12.55 Shortland Street (6668394)

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3.20 ITN News (1855348) 3.25 Regional News (1854619) 3.30 Ozzie the Owl (7116245) 3.40 Tots TV

(3981400) 3.50 Sylvester and Tweety (6966431) 4.05 Budgle (5586665) 4.15 Transylvania Pet Shop (2007868) 4.40 G'Day Summer Bay (1508077) 5.10 Celebrity Squares with Bob Monkhouse

5.40 News (Teletext) (434787) 6.00 Home and Away (r) (Teletext) (801481)

6.25 Regional News (693874) 7.00 Emmerdale. Zak has a cunning plan for Mandy's Munchbox. (Teletext) (1145) 7.30 West Watch, New series (868)



Carver on the case (8.00om)

8.00 The Bill: Reminders. Daly and Carver are on the trail of a missing prisoner

8.30 FILM: Police Academy 6 — City Under Slege (1989) with Bubba Smith and David Graf. The cadels are called in by the mayor to track down robbers. Directed by Peter Bonerz (92874) 10.00 ITN News at Ten (Telelant) (12665)

10.30 Regional News (101597) 10.40 The 10%ers: Runner. As a layour to a client, Dominic takes on a new office

assistant without knowing that he is blind. 11.10 Bodies of Evidence; Shadows (r)

12.10am FILM: Fighting Justice (1989) starring James Woods, Robert Downey Jr and Margaret Colin A former crusading New York lawyer, reduced to working for drug dealers and hoods, is persuaded by a law graduate to take up the cause of a young man jailed for murder. Directed by Joseph Ruben (810288)

2.10 Late and Loud (9810511)

3.10 The Chart Show (r) (8589578) 4.10 Murder, She Wrote: Weave a Tangled Web (r) (s) (6101375)

5.00 Hot Spots with Alison Johns (73530) 5.30 ITN Morning News (45673). Ends at

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Big Breakfast (42481) 9.00 California Dreams (7648706) 9.25 The Secret World of Alex Mack (7545665) 9.55 Hangin with Mr Cooper (6857058) 10.20 Pink Panther (2518023) 10.45 Bill and Teds Excellent Adventures (5690145) 11.10 Riker Mice from Mars (8593023) 11.35 Insektors (2678972) 11.50 Dennis (8731955) 12.05pm Mork and Mindy (6819868) 12.30 Love and Marriage (43077) 1.00 Slot Melthrin (52868) 1.30 Film: Woman's World (58041665) 3.15 Ricki Lake (4133042) 4.00 Backdate (597) 4.30 If I Were Prime Minister: Mad Frankie Fraser (481) 5.00 5 Pump: Anturiaethau (2974771) 5.15 5 Pump: Maldwyn (5933068) 5.30 Countdown (961) 6.00 Newyddion (267023) 6.15 Heno (881058) 7.00 Pobol Y Cwm (292619) 7.25 Bancar (443232) 8.00 Dysgwr Y Flwyddyn (8435) 8.30 Newyddion (4042) 9.00 Rasus (3023) 10.00 Brookside (757435) 10.35 Ellen (505085) 11.05 Film: How to Get Ahead in Advertising (320348) 12.50am Black Bag: Exnelled from School (8011443)

6.25pm-7.00 Wales Tonight (693874) 7.30-8.00 Time Out (868)

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As HTV West except: 10.30am Film: Always Remember I Love You (40648752)

12.55pm Emmerdale (6668394) 1.25-1.55 The Big Day (83279110) 1.55 Home and Away (58901313) 2.25 Liz Earle's Lifestyle (87402145) 2.55-3,20 A Country Practice (1818435) 5.10-5.40 Home and Away (5709619) 6.00-7.00 Westcountry Live (57226) 7.30-8.00 Cobblestones, Cottages and

Castles (868) 11.10 Prisoner Cell Block H (884348)

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Italy (5391874) 5.10-5.40 Shortland Street (5709619) 6.25-7.00 Central News and Weather

7.30-8.00 Heart of the Country (868) 11.10 Stand Up (940023) 11.45 Film: Child in the Night (276121) 1.35am Late & Loud (8493375)

2.35 The Good Sex Guide ... Late 3.35 The Big Match Replayed (6345578)

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As HTV West except: 9.50-10.20 Sandokan (5982752) 10.30 Worzel Gummidge (20684) 11.00 Dogfanian (5300874) 11.25 Cross Combat (5303961) 11.55 Dungeons and Dragons (1590918) 12.55pm Emmerdale 1.55 Shortland Street (89909752) 2.20 Liz Earle's Lifestyle (87403874) 2.50-3.20 True . . . but Strange (5391874) 5.10 Home and Away (5709619) 6.00 Meridian Tonight (232) 6.30-7.00 Who Am I? (684) 7.30-8.00 A Most Secret Service (868) 11.10 Prisoner

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2.15 FILM: Charley Moon (1956). Singer Max Bygraves finds success a poisoned chalice, so returns to his village to marry his sweetheart and join a circus. Directed by Guy Hamilton (Teletext) (941706)

4.00 Backdate (Teletext) (s) (597) 4.30 Countdown (Teletext) (s) (481) 5.00 Ricki Lake (Teletext) (s) (8875619) 5.45 Snapshots (r) (708874)

6.00 The Avengers. A REMAK (remote electro-matic agent killer) is depleting the ranks of Steed's agents. (Teletext)

7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) (290077) 7.55 The Slot. Viewers' views (437400)

8.00 War Cries: Baseball in Irish History. (2/6) The novelist Robert Wilson attacks the practice, in Northern Ireland, on both sides of the sectarian divide, of "punishment beatings" (Teletext) (8435)

8.30 Brookside. J. C. thinks he knows why Nat does not want to be married (Teletext) (s) (4042)



Julia fights against the odds (9pm)

9.00 True Stories: Daughter. A programme about how a deat and blind single mother is bringing up her toddier in spite of almost insuperable difficulties (Teletext) (s) (8360481)

10.25 FILM: The Waterdance (1992), A warm and unlikely comedy. Three men in wheelchairs confront their lives in a rehabilitation centre. Directed by Neal Imenez and Michael Steinberg (Teletext) (s) (902706)

12.25am Watching the Detectives (r). (Teletext) (3428795)

1.30 FiLM: My Ain Folk (1972). The second part of Bill Douglas's trilogy (52375) 2.30 FILM: Start Cheering (1938, b/w). A Hollywood idol, tired of playing the hero in college films, enrols as an undergraduate in a genuine university, much to the chagrin of his agent. The film leatures a parade of vaudeville talent, including the Three Stooges (1419714). Ends at

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6.00sm Crack Up (1946) (33329) 7.30 Peter-No-Tall (1982) (43752) 9.00 A Young Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court (1994) (50110) 10.30 Inhumanolds: The Movie (1985) (34961) 12.00 Thei's Entertaisment Part Bi (1994) (51042) 2.00pm O. Henry's Full House (1952) (20110) 4.00 Spider-Men: Wottneck/film Kirkwood Haurridge (1973) ood Haumiing (1973) (5023) 6.00 Touch of Truth (1894) (46503) 7.30 Special Festure (8329) 8.00 The Last Great Warrior (1994) (25619) 10.00 When a Man Loves a Woman (1994) (9835315) 12.05am Crossing the Bridge (1992) (240530) 1.50 Silhouette (1994) (962172) 3.25-6.06 After Midnight (1989)

THE DISNEY CHANNEL

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EUROSPORT 7,30em Indycer (98226) 9,00 Speedworld (98329) 11.00 Footbell (32042) 12.00 (25023) 5.00 Truck Racing (2058) 6.00 Truck Racing (78888) 7.00 Body Building (70139) 8.00 Boding (52787) 9.00 Sumo (69023) 10.00 Snooker (99482) 11.30-12.30am Daris (12503)

7.00am Sports Centre (22619) 7.30 This Week in Baseball (38226) 8.00 Beach Volleyball (37023) 8.30 Racing News (36394) 9.00 Aerobics (23874) 9.30 Interna-(36394) 9.00 Aerobics (23874) 9.20 Intentional Orboter England v Petistan (51023) 11,00 Aerobics (30110) 12.30pm Sky's Top 20 Games (56752) 2.90 Taran Esta (2892) 3,00 Mountain Biking Dual Descender Senes (3110) 3.30 Opposite Lock International Motorsport (199955) 4.30 Morels when Jour (2416) 4.50 Control Programme (2416) 4.50 Control Series (3110) 8.300 Opposite LOCK — International Motorsport (95955) 4.30 Windsuring Tour (3116) 4.59 Sports Centre (5238481) 8.00 Wresting — Superstans (9590) 6.00 Sports Centre (1481) 6.30 Women's Golf McDonalds Champonship (52706) 7.30 The Asian Football Show (739077) 8.25 Sports Centre (832706) 8.30 Cricket Nat West Trochy Seri 348) 10.00 Sky Sports Centre (48139) to Fnotball Special Manchester United Inler Milan (65455) 12.00 Asian Footba 1.30em Footballer's Footbal (50269) **1.30am** Footballs (25269) **2.30-3,00** Sports Cer

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4.00am Thought for the Day 4.05 Worship 4.15 kutz TV 4.30 Jack Van Impe Presents 5.00 Yoke of Victor Music TV 5.45 Changing Your World 6.15 Power for Living 6.45-7.00 Good Morning Europe SKY SOAP 7.00am Guiding Light (1057987) 7.55 As

Place (5346348) 9.20 Days of Our Lives (5406226) 10.10-11.00 Another World

SKY TRAVEL 11.00am Boomerang (5226955) 11.30 Traiside — Make Your Own Adventure (5227684) 12.00 Mansons (2578416) 12.30pm Prette Francy's Cooking in France (6378969) 1.00 Golaway (3672708) 1.30 (raty\_1223810) 2.00 Australia from the



4.00 Holiday Shop (75843503) THE HISTORY CHANNEL 4.00pm The Lincoln Assassmalion (2164706) 6.00-7.00 Biography (6479918) THE SCI-FI CHANNEL

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8.00mm The Joy of Painting (7002435) 9.30 Grow Your Own (9974752) 10.00 Two's Country (6694684) 10.30 Home Again (7038619) 11.00 The Painted House (5580313) 11.30 Room for Improvement (5561042) 12.00 Julia Child (7349771) 12.30em The Finical Grummet (9995988) 12.30pm The Frugal Gournet (9985668) 1.00 Simply Delicious (2337936) 1.30 This Old House (9984139) 2.30 Garden Club (6908746) 3.00 Fishing Adventures 5.00am Tmy TCC (18067) 7.00 Tmy and Crew (2597481) 7.15 Rose and Jim (1496961) 7.30 Greedysaurus and the

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and Frends (77619) 8.30 Dinobabes (69690) 9.00 Art Alback (87042) 9.30 Byfar Grove (97961) 10.00 Heartbreak, High (74394) 11.00 Madison (73708) 11.30 Hang Time (74435) 12.00 Degraes Jurnor High (70708) 12.30pm Pugwall (92067) 1.00 California Dreams (61874) 1.30 Melbiown (48441868) 1.48 Take Onei (48439023) 2.00 Ready or Not (1961) 2.30 Medison (4110) 3.00 Heartbreak, High (72023) 4.00 Celfornia Dreams (1690) 4.30-5.00 Byker Grove (7874)

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4.00pm Islands of the Pacific (5551665)

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ment (39481) 10.30 Dr Katz (28329) 11.00 Wings (95356) 3.00 Dr Katz (52066) 3.30-4.00 Home Court (86608) UK LIVING

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FAMILY CHANNEL 5,00pm Through the Keyhole (9313) 5.30 My Two Dads (5226) 6.00 Barman (2139) 6.30 Calchphrase (9619) 7.00 Ali Clued Up (2077) 7:30 The Fall Cay (84503) 8:30 Only When I Laugh (1972) 9:00 The Father Dowling Mystenes (18313) 10:00 Treasure Hunt: Devon (11400) 11:00 Strens (75023) 12.00 The Fell Guy (91996) 1,00am Satman (11676) 1.30 The Father Dowling Mystenes (69667) 2.30 All Together Now (21172) 2.00 Big Brother John (14820) 3.30 GP (22424 4.00 All Clued Up (43917) 4.30-5.00 Robinson Sucree (22849)

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CARTOON NETWORK/INT Continuous cartoons from Sem to 7pm,

Shen TRT films as below. 7.00pm The Gazebo (1969) (83981787) 9.00 The Yellow Rolls-Royce (1964) (36448325) 8.00 The Yellow Rolls-Royce (1964) (84625668) 11.15 Boys' Might Out (1962) (94416333) 1.05am The Champ (1931) (30247837) 2.35-5.00 The Yellow ils Royce (20017191) CNN/QVC

CNN provides 24-hour news and QVC is

PERFORMANCE 7,00pm Weather Update 8,00 Aria 8,30 Sleeping Beauty from the kirov Ballet 10,45-1,00pm Martha Artin Wecker and Moltosona Daumer in Concert

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**TUESDAY AUGUST 13 1996** 

Search begins for new manager at Highbury after surprise eve-of-season dismissal

# Cruyff appears Arsenal's likely target

was the inglorious 12th of August. When the Arsenal guns fired on Bruce Rioch in the afternoon, just five days before the start of the season, a club statement gave every indication that a successor was already in its sights. The new man had been identified", to use the quaint Arsenal expression; he will be named shortly, and meanwhile, in a club that cannot live with stagnation. speculation is

Four names were immediately linked to Arsenal -Johan Cruyff, dismissed himself as coach of Barcelona at the beginning of this summer. and George Graham, who has been tending his north London garden since being sacked by Arsenal and banned from management for accepting transfer "bungs" while in. their employ. Then came Terry Venables, who has unfinished High Court business with Arsenal's neighbours, Tottenham Hotspur, and who until yesterday morning appeared to be in the market for a job, but then took control of Portsmouth as their director of coaching. Fourth, and by no means least plausible, was the name of David O'Leary, who played with distinction a record number of times for Arsenal.

There is, apparently, very little time to speculate. The brief statement issued from the Marble Halls yesterday evening was that Rioch was "released" from a contract that had two years, and very probably half a million pounds, to run, but that Stewart Houston would, for the second time in 18 months, be caretaker manager, together with Pat Rice.

On the steps of Highbury later in the evening, the few supporters who gathered were of two minds. Some identified with Graham, whose prag-

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matic reign had delivered the club six trophies, in England and Europe, in eight years. He has now served his time for his misdemeanour. He is, to put it mildly, available, and one Arsenal supporter spoke for others when he said: "Whatever he done is peanuts compared to what he's given us."

More rational supporters would have nothing of it. Part of Rioch's failing, they argue, was his inability to clear up the legacy of mis-spending in Graham's last months, alluding to £6.2 million spent on the panic purchases of Glen Helder, Chris Kiwomya and John

Those same anti-Graham cheerleaders add that the former manager had left Rioch a defence steeped with age, one almost arthritic compared to the intimidating rearguard on which Graham's success was

So if not the old manager returning, who? Cruyff, without doubt, would represent the big name that a club still regarded worldwide as one of the biggest in the game, desires. He was in London over the weekend, ostensibly as a proud father, watching with

his son, Jordi, for Manchester United. It would be strange if Cruyff Sr, having overseen the cut-price transfer of his own son from Barcelona to United, would, in the space of a week, take over a rival English club, one in which Jordi Cruyff might well have made a fitting partnership with the £7.5 million Dennis Bergkamp, the one truly successful signing under the Rioch regime.

But Cruyff would ask searching questions of Arsenal. An anglophile, and a man who has known English habits intimately for a quarter of a century, Cruyff would know both his own worth and Arsenal's immense standing in the global game. He would ask, surely, for a million-pound salary, and, if he were properly briefed, he might want to know where the real

David Dein, the Arsenal vice-chairman, has been presumed to be the power at the club. He was the chief shareholder by far, with 23,816 shares to club chairman Peter Hill-Wood's 448 a year ago, but shares have reportedly been changing hands, with Danny Fiszman, a director since 1992, purchasing shares steadily from Dein so that he now appears to own more than Dein or anyone else on

Fiszman and Graham were With Graham polarising the 38,000 Arsenal supporters, with Venables supposedly tied up at Portsmouth, and with O'Leary a worthy candidate but totally inexperience in management. the "identified" successor appears likely to be Cruyff.

He, too, can be pragmatic. Not in the football sense, where his fault - if there is one - is in the insistence on attacking play, but in his singular determination to brook no interference in playing matters. Rioch's resistance, such as it was, was that of a principled man who had withheld his signature on the contract until this very month, and whose attempts to rebuild Arsenal had caused friction

between him and Dein. The continental system of a coach advising the board of players he wanted had apparently seen the passage of 20 names from Rioch to Dein, without success. It was so well known on the grapevine that the bookmaker. William Hill, had drastically reduced their odds on Rioch being sacked, from 7-1 last Thursday to 3-1 on Friday, and had then started to refuse bets.

Time was when Arsenal employed just three managers in 31 years, and the only way out for two of those, Herbert Chapman and Tom Whittaker, was to die in service. Rioch goes in his comparative prime, and he will remember his words when he agreed a three-year tenure on June 8 last year: "Nobody asks for time in this game, I most

night to the England captain.

Diverting as it was, for everybody except Wasim, Atherton's second wicket in

Test cricket had a serious side.

Not one player in England's

top six can properly be called a

bowier. One of the great

strengths of the Australian team is that, if they pick Stuart Law and Michael Bevan as

well as the Waugh brothers,

Rioch, 48, it is unlikely he will be in place before next week.

Rioch led the club to fifth place in the championship and a place in the Uefa Cup last season and, apparently, had much to look forward to; he had even signed his contract. finally, after it had lain gathering dust since his arrival from Bolton Wanderers in June 1995. All that was needed was the stamp of approval from the Highbury hierarchy.

about me, because I haven't signed my contract, but that's

counter-signed by the board. At least that part of the equation can be eliminated."

Not so. Rioch, only Arsenal's eighteenth manager in its 110-year history, was summarily shown the door of the legendary Marble Hall. Stability used to be the watchword at the north London club but Rioch arrived with it in disarray, after George Graham's acrimonious departure, and he left with it in a similarly unsettled state.

£2.5 million and Stefan Schwarz for £2.7 million. Since

Valur Gislason for an undisclosed fee, both this summer. "I'm sad for Bruce, really sad," Tony Adams, the Arsenal captain, said yester-

day. "I had a good year with him and he was fabulous to me. I wish him every success but I'm an employee of Arsenal FC and I have to believe that the board has acted in the best interests of Paul Merson, the striker,

then he has only signed John

Lukic on a free transfer and

said: "I'm shocked, it's unbelievable. It had been a normal

day, like any other day, until I heard the news on the radio." Rioch was a player of passion and competitiveness,

most notably with Aston Villa

and Derby County. He captained Scotland during the World Cup finals in Argentina in 1978.

He took his strict ideas on discipline into management, at Torquay United, Middlesbrough, Millwall and Bolton. After joining Arsenal, having led Bolton into the Premiership via the first division playoffs, he said: "I don't set out to be unpopular but, along the way. I may have to make some

unpopular decisions." He was unconcerned, though, by the magnitude of his new job. "I don't find it intimidating," he said. "It is a higher profile club, but there's no real difference from Bols ... The expectations are the same, everybody wants to win."



Rioch thought long and hard before signing his contract as Arsenal manager — only to be dismissed days later. Photograph: Ben Radford/Allsport

# Rioch's reign brought to sudden end

BY RUSSELL KEMPSON

BRUCE RIOCH, the Arsenal manager, was dismissed yesterday just five days before the start of the FA Carling Premiership season. His 14month reign at Highbury was brought to a swift, startling conclusion by a brief state-ment that said he had been released from his contract "in the club's best long-term

Stewart Houston, Rioch's assistant, and Pat Rice, the first-team coach, will take charge for Arsenal's opening Premiership fixture, against West Ham United at Highbury on Saturday. Though Arsenal have already

At the weekend, despite a lack of leading summer signings and a disappointing series of pre-season results, Rioch was upbeat. "I can understand all the speculation

#### 'identified" a replacement for resolved now." he said. "The Highs and lows on road to Highbury

BRUCE RIOCH'S decision to leave Bolton Wanderers and succeed George Graham as the eighteenth manager in Arsenal's 101 years during the summer of 1995 began one of the most difficult spells in his football career.

Rioch, 49, began as a player with Luton Town, moving to Aston Villa in 1969 and then to Derby County for £200,000 in 1974, helping them to their second League championship. While at Derby, he made the first of his 24 appearances for Scotland. In 1976, he moved to Everton, then returned to Derby and finished his playing career at

Torquay United, after loan spells with Birmingham City and Sheffield United. He played for Seattle

Sounders in the United States, then returned to England in 1982 as player-manag er of Torquay United. He resigned in 1984 after a training-ground incident, but bounced back to guide Middlesbrough to promotion from the third division to the first. Dismissed by Middlesbrough in 1990, he took over at Millwall, whom he left after two years for Bolton, leading them to the 1995 Coca-Cola Cup final and promotion

to the Premiership.

Immediate reaction to Rioch's exit was of surprise. though mostly at the timing rather than the decision. The former Scotland international had long been frustrated by Arsenal's new transfer policy - he made a list, the board did the deals - and his working relationship with David Dein. Arsenal's influential vice-chairman, was, reportedly, no longer cordial. Before last season he bought Dennis Bergkamp for £7.5 million and David Platt for £4.75 million and sold Kevin Campbell for

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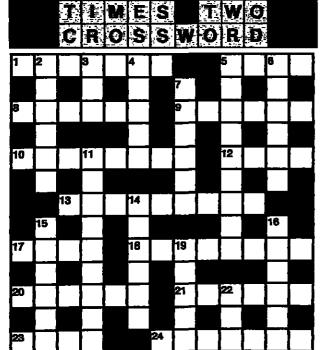
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Selectors face Oval conundrum

By Michael Henderson

Alan Lee

JEREMY IRONS is in hot can also bowl, giving them a water, apparently, because a film-maker wants him to possible eight-man attack. Atherton does not have the "black up" as Mohammed Ali same resources at his beck Jinnah, founder of the Pakiand call. "It is a slight probstan nation. Michael Atherlem." he said, "that in the top six we played here — and we batted really well as a unit — nobody really bowls. If you ton, who dusted the cobwebs off his gentle leg spin yester-day as the second Test at Headingley moved inevitably have a four-man attack then you need to get a few overs from somebody else." Ather-ton, a serviceable wrist spinto a draw, would have to do a bit more than that to bear comparison with Mushtaq Ahmed. But the memory of ner in his youth, brought having Wasim Akram leg himself on partly to improve before padding up will bring a the over-rate. chuckle on many a long winter

The England captain reminded his audience that they had won at the Oval in recent seasons, against Australia and South Africa, by selecting only four bowlers. But the composition of the side for the final Test, which begins next Thursday and which England must win to square the series, will give the selectors pause for thought. Do they retain the six batsmen who played here, or they have four batsmen who do they play an all-rounder at No 6, and find room for a slow

If Atherton's view counts, Jack Russell's place behind the stumps is secure. There was conjecture before this Test of Alec Stewart doing the wicketkeeping but his superb century, going in first, has

Rampant Malcolm ... NatWest preview ..... confirmed his right to be Atherton's partner. Although Russell's performance yesterday was sub-standard. Ather-

ton - and Stewart too, for that

matter - expressed their support for him. Atherton defended his decision to insert Pakistan on the first morning, believing that better bowling and catching would have given England every chance of winning the match. "We had to give our bowlers the best opportunity in the friendliest conditions. We did not feel that a spinner was likely to have much effect and Mushtaq, who is a fine leg spinner, did not make much impact when he bowled later in the match."

Wasim praised the application of his batsmen in that first innings and repeated that he would have chosen to bat because Headingley's reputation was overrated. "It used to seam here," he said, "but in the last seven or eight years it has been a flat pitch. When I saw the pitch beforehand I thought it would just get

He vowed there would be no pussylooting at the Oval simply because Pakistan were I-0 ahead in the three-Test series. "There is no point in going there for a draw," Wasim said, because we might easily lose. We are going to carry on

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# Brave heart of the Bruce to receive proper burial

THE embalmed heart of Robert the Bruce is to be dug up by archaeologists more than 650 ears after it was laid to rest at

Melrose Abbey in the Borders. The hero king, who defeated the English at Bannockburn in 1314 and won independence for Scotland, declared on his deathbed that his heart should be cut out after he died and taken on a Crusade by his friend Sir James Douglas. But it never reached the Holy Land. The Bruce died of leprosy in July 1329. His heart was duly removed but it only got as far as Spain. Sir James carried it in a lead, coneshaped casket and brandished it as a gruesome talisman to inspire Crusaders fighting the

During one battle, Sir James found himself surrounded. Realising he had no chance of escape, he is said to have hurled the casket into the fray and plunged in after it to his death. His last defiant cry



Robert the Bruce dying wish was fulfilled

as thou wert wont and Douglas will follow or die."

The heart was found on the battlefield next to Sir James's body, returned to Scotland and buried at Melrose Abbey some 60 miles from the rest of the Bruce's remains, which lie in Dunfermline Abbey.

The month-long excavation of the chapter house at the abbey, near Galashiels, was

Scotland, the agency responsi-ble for historic buildings north of the border. The £30,000

venture is expected to uncover the ancient casket. Historic Scotland plans to rebury it in a properly marked grave at the e with a fitting ceremony. Experts caution that there is

no proof that the casket contains the king's remains. Historic Scotland said yes-

terday that it had no intention of opening the casket to determine whether the heart was indeed that of the king. Doreen Grove, the agency's Inspector of Ancient Monuments, said nothing could be gained from disturbing the remains to that extent.

"Historic Scotland has guidelines on dealing with human remains and these would allow examination if it could be demonstrated that this would provide information that cannot be obtained elsewhere," she said. "In this case, however, we don't think DNA testing or carbon-dating would prove anything one

The abbey was burnt down by the English in 1385 after an invasion by Richard II; who was enraged by the alliance between Scotland and France. The heart had probably been buried at the abbey's high altar, but was moved to the chapter house when the east end of the church was rebuilt in the early 15th century.

The only other time the heart has been disturbed was during a 1921 excavation. At the moment it is marked only by a small metal plaque. The new excavation is also

expected to unearth the first church on the site and is part of an upgrading of the abbey's

The Bruce had originally wanted his heart buried at Melrose Abbey but changed his mind when he was dying. He had hoped to go on a Crusade and his dying wish was fulfilled by "Black" Douglas, a fiercesome warrior who Bruce



# Bike boys saved after 18 hours trapped on cliff

By A STAFF REPORTER

TWO schoolboys told yester-day how they survived for 18 hours, trapped on a ledge 120 feet up a cliff face.

Barry Dyer and Daniel O'Keeffe, aged seven and eight, clung to each other on the steep rock all night in pouring rain until passers-by heard their cries.

Both boys are recovering at home after hospital treatment. for hypothermia, shock, cuts and bruises. Daniel said: "I'm really glad to be home. I was brave at first but I missed my mum and dad. I tried to go to sleep when we were on the ledge but Barry kept snoring

and kept me awake." Their distraught parents had raised the alarm late on Saturday when the pair failed to return after going out mountain-biking. A police helicopter was used in a search around their homes in South

Yate, near Bristol But the boys were stuck three quarters of a mile away on a windswept ledge in Barnhill quarry. They became stranded after slipping down the cliff in the same disused

lime quarry where the body of Louise Smith, 18, was found in

On Sunday morning two women cyclists heard the boys' screams. They were rescued from the ledge by cliff rescue teams who lowered them down on stretchers.

The boys were taken to Frenchay hospital in Bristol. Daniel said: "Barry fell down first and I tried to save him but wanted to try and get back up but I was too scared. We kept on shouting for help; we were

Barry's mother Jane Dyer, worry and couldn't sleep. I left the back doors open hoping he would just walk in."

Daniel's mother Cheryl, 30, said: "It was a nightmare not knowing where he was."

Rescue co-ordinator Bob Hatherley said: "They were suffering from a cold and very frightening night. They had the sense to stay on the ledge rather than trying to climb out. It was a tricky rescue



Daniel and Barry after their ordeal on quarry ledge

# Foreign breads slice white sales

By JOANNA BALE

SALES of white sliced bread have fallen in favour of riahatta and other foreign loaves, a survey has found. The market in pre-packed bread has fallen by £30 million since 1993, while forcign speciality breads now account for sales of £483 million, compared with £356

million in 1991. Rivals include olive and tomato breads, focaccia and the more established baquette. Croissants are also aiming popularity at the expense of traditional buns, cacakes and scones.

Supermarkets have creased their share of tradiloaf sales: in-store

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bakeries sell £252 million of bread a year compared with £160 million in 1991. Breakfast breads,

pastries and biscuits have increased sales. Only traditional pre-packed bread sales have fallen despite supermarket competition which has taken the price as low as 19p. A spokeswoman for Datamonitor, the analysis that conducted the survey, said: "We're becoming more continental in our tastes. While croissants and others increase in popularity the hum-ble loaf of bread continues to

taste for the new products She said it would be hard for bread to sell to more homes as almost everyone bought a loaf at some time, although advertisers tried to persuade people to buy more expensive, better-quality products. The market potential lies in the frequency with which people can be persuaded to buy bread and the extent to which they will trade up to

fall out of favour. Consumers

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Billy Hardie, 50, one of the

last Grimsby trawlermen to

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the newcomers and it is on the

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who have done this sold

licences to Dutch interests] are

traitors to their own cause,"

said one fish merchant in

Dolly Hardie, 75, is the

founder of the Grimsby-based British Fishermen's Associ-

ation. She said: "Everybody in

the British industry is suffer-

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he licence has been transferred to a Spaniard. Senior industry officers are outlawing quota hopping, but holding regular meetings with creasingly impatient for ac-Mr Baldry, looking for assurances that quota hoppers will remain high on the agenda of tion. Mr Portus said: "We want to get rid of these vessels by yesterday but we have to the inter-governmental conferstand by while the political ence. They want a firm pledge that he will resist pressure The hunting ground for from Brussels to slim the buyers who want to acquire national trawler fleet before licences is Fishing News, the quota hopping has been

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outlawed Quota hopping has, in effect, allowed Spain and Holland to cut their fleets in line Brussels' demands because their fishermen have re-registered in Britain. Figures quoted by the producers suggest that Spain had reduced its fleet by 2.2 per cent by the end of 1991, opening the way to a host of European grants and subsidies. But at the same time 3 per cent of the fleet had transferred to the

British flag. In 1983 the Government passed a law stipulating that British-registered boats had to be 75 per cent British-owned. However, in a test case in March, the European Court of Justice ruled that it was illegal for Britain to stop trawlers from another member state sharing its national quota. The judgment landed the Government with a £30 mil-

lion compensation claim. The judgment was swiftly followed by a demand from Emma Bonino, the EU Fisheries Commissioner, for cuts of up to 40 per cent in the size of the domestic trawler fleet. Mr Baldry has told fellow fisheries ministers that there can be no progress on decommissioning until the quota hoppers are

The protocol that Mr Baldry is pursuing would stipulate that the boats qualifying for UK fishing licences must demonstrate that they are aiding the national economic effort and landing their catches at UK ports. He is likely to find an ally in Ireland. Many in the

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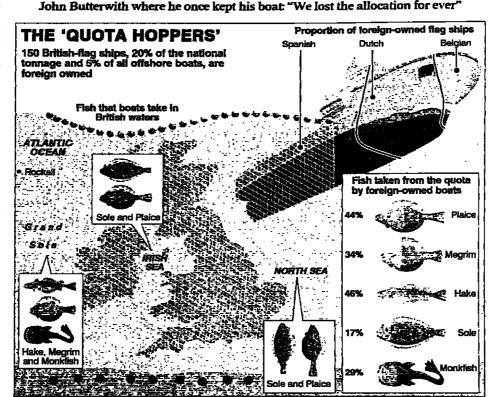
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A government pledge to stop British waters being plundered has not ended the trade in licences



much further. This has to be tackled by buying them [the Dutch and Spanish] out." Mr

Portus said. They parted with money to acquire the licences and the Government should buy them back at the market rate and close the door for ever on a market in licences.

#### Englishman defends Spanish armada in to exploit the market which THE AGENT

TONY BEADEL, a business man who represents a fleet of Anglo-Spanish boats from his office in Paignton, Devon, refuses to acknowledge the term "quota hopper".

He said that the Spanish had been unfairly labelled maranders when they were merely trying to protect their right to fish traditional grounds in the Grand Sole, which stretches from the southwest tip of Ireland to

They have been acquiring licences since the late 1970s to monkfish. These fishermen. ermen had little interest for

fish for hake, megrim and Mr Beadel said, had fished waters in which British trawlspecies of fish at which Brit-

No self-respecting Spaniard is going to pay the amount of money that they are now asking for." Mr Beadel said. "We are really not that active but people in the South West

are obsessed by our vessels. They covet what we have.
"What they want to do is get

ish shoppers would turn up

The Spaniards were there first, had paid for the privi-

their noses.

ish, he said.

they can go back to Europe and say we have complied with your targets, get all the grants going and become

lege and the waters were mainly Irish rather than Brit-Mr Beadel was scathing about the Government, which "It is a myth that Anglohe believes has only helped to Spanish boats are coming create a market in licences here buying, buying, buying. through their own stupidity", and about British fishermen who had "hammered" their own stocks closer to

> The Anglo-Spanish trawlers took their case to the European Court of Justice and won and now the Dutch,

had been opened to them. Mr Beadel denied that he operated as a front man for Spanish interests but acknowledged that if a Spanish trawler skipper needed a licence then be could belp to match the buyer with a potential seller. It was a matter of picking up the telephone, he

That was usually the extent of his involvement in the deals that British trawlermen claim are robbing them of their livelihood. It was Mr Beadel who eventually bought the licence for the Quo Vadis. He said that he was simply offered the licence for £15.000 through a dealer and decided to take it.

### Instructor survives head injury at 4,000ft

By Paul Wilkinson

A PILOT flew 14 miles to safety after being knocked almost unconscious when the cockpit canopy flew off and struck him in the face. Geoff Orde, an aerobatics instructor, had to contend with blood pouring into his eyes from a deep head wound and the increased drag created by the

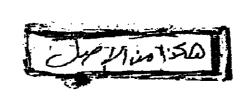
missing canopy.

At one point his pupil Catherine Vassallow, who was on her first advanced lesson. thought he was about to pass out and steeled herself to take control. A forced landing was averted only when the singleengined T67 aircraft flew into a thermal, which gave it enough lift to reach Newcastle

upon Tyne airport. Yesterday, back on the ground Mr Orde, 58, a former RAF instructor, recalled the incident at 4.000ft over the Northumbrian countryside last weekend. I got quite a shock, but Catherine was brilliant. She didn't panic at all and kept her spirits up throughout. It was her first aerobatics lesson and she had

an excellent attitude. We immediately turned towards Newcastle airport, but because the canopy was missing the plane was suffering a lot of wind drag and started to lose height. I began to think I might have to make an emergency landing in a field or on a road. However, as we got closer to the ground we hit some thermals and they kept us going until we landed. It was only when we landed that Catherine told me what she really thought."

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# Secrets of a weird marriage revealed in Dali's castle

FROM TUNKU VARADARAIAN IN PÚBOL

THE shrill-blue bedroom in Pubol Castle near Gerona, northeastern Spain, in which Salvador Dali was nearly burnt to a crisp as he lay asleep 12 years ago, has been restored at last to its former freakish glory and is now open to the public for the first time. In one corner of the room there is a bright-red fire

The Surrealist painter with the curling moustache abandoned the castle after his brush with death on August 30, 1984. Twelve years later the renovated castle gives the visitor a fascinating lesson in the life and mind of Dalí and, particularly, in his relation-ship with his Russian wife,

The painter lived here for only two years, after his wife's death in 1982. The was really Gala's home, given to her as a present by the dementedly doting Dali in 1970. By a masochistic contract, the painter insisted that she should live there alone, allowing him to visit her only

described, perhaps unfairly, as "one of the most evil though she did speak to him daily on the telephone. Yet there is no question that she could often goad and inspire her husband-slave to great artistic heights, his painting of her naked back being perhaps the most sensual portrayal of the female form in 20th-century art (other Gala-based efforts, however, such as Portrait of Gala with Two Lamb Chops or Automatic Beginning of a Por-trait of Gala, both of which hang at the Dali Museum in Figueras, are but the crude

works of a lovesick man).

with the Indonesian Commu-

nist Party (PKI), banned after

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him to do, Dali drew be Trembling abjectly,"
ordered her to tell him w she wanted him to do to her

erotic words that make us both feel the greatest shame!" Gala, ice-cool, replied: "I want you to kill me." The castle reveals the depths of Dali's obsession vith Gala, described by

Cowles as "reaching the limit of dementia". The manner of its decoration, with echoes, emblems and motifs of his wife in every corner, shows the extent of the painter's devotion to the greedy muse who cashed in ruthlessly on his notoriety. Wags who knew the couple used to remark that the anagram-matic form of "Salvador - Avida Dollars would be a fitting name for



Pubol Castle is littered with Dali's distinctively strange touches: here a lion's head decorates the top of a dining room cupboard

biographers of both Gala and Dali have described, "the wicked lady" enjoyed at Púbol a succession of sturdy lovers drawn from among the local fishermen and yokels. Village folklore has it that she sent for young men even in her last days. She died at the

Dali was ten years younger than his wife and throughout his life behaved like a little boy when he was with ber. Pubol Castle is dotted with his childish attempts to please Gala, none more illuminating of his state than the

legs of giraffes. There is a stuffed giraffe, too, which gazes dolefully on Gala's simple tomb in the castle

In the garage near the crypt rests a shiny blue Cadillac, still with its Monaco licence plate, in which a distraught Dali took Gala for "her last ride around the estate" after she had died.

The castle's restoration, which took two years, was done by Oriol Clos i Costa, the Catalan architect. "We have left things exactly as Dali arranged them," the repair the place without eras-

The sleepy village of Pubol. however, has been jolted into a new era. The barmaid of an inn by the castle said: "We have received more visitors this week alone, after the castle opened, than in the rest of the year put together. Dali, may he rest in peace, has changed our lives at last."

The Spanish Treasur which owns the castle and manages the Dali estate, spent nearly £2 million on its restoration. With its opening Púbol Castle has complete an irresistible triangle for "Daliphiles", along with the museum of his works at Figueras and the artist's



Gala's bedroom, left, and an outside view of Pubol

## Police in Jakarta seize party chief blamed for riots

From Our Special Correspondent in Jakarta

not defaming Suharto; and having links

er A prize winning - author, Praemodya Ananta Toer, and Sukmawan Sukarnoputti, sister of the country's pro-democracy figurehead. Megawati Sukarnoputri, were also summoned for questioning vesterday in connection with the July 27 unrest.

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Budiman Sudjatmiko, 26, leader of the fledgeling Democratic People's Party (PRD). who had gone into hiding after the riots was arrested with other activists in a Jakarta suburb on Sunday night. He has been accused of infiltratng the supporters of Megawati Sukamoputri, the ousted leader of the Indone-



Sukmawati: questioned

### Ethnic hate fuelled by killing of Cypriot

are expected to attend the funeral in Cyprus today of Tassos Isaac, a 24-year-old Greek Cypriot who was battered to death by Turkish clashes in the island's United Nations-controlled buffer

headquarters in the morning of July 27. Experts say the ensuing unrest, in which three people died, was a spontaneous outpouring of frustration at the economic disparity in Indonesia and not the result of political insurgency. The police have yet to charge Mr Sudjatmiko, but it for the bloodshed.

is thought he will eventually face trial for subversion. which carries the death penalty. An army spokesman said documents seized from Mr Sudjatmiko gave a "clear indication" the PRD had links with the Communists. Yesterday Mr Suharto reit-

erated earlier statements that the PRD was a subversive organisation. He said the members "use the conflict in PDI to try to overthrow the legitimate Government and

replace the national ideology with something alien to us". The PRD is a loose coalition of labour and student organisations. Officially formed in July, it has fewer than 1,000

Analysts fear that the Government will use the flexible subversion law to detain prodemocracy activists indefinitely, without charging them.

THOUSANDS OF MOUNTERS

military stormed the PDI UN officials said the killing highlighted the need to solve the long-running Cyprus problem but had soured the atmosphere for diplomacy, deepening ammosity and mistrust between the estranged communities, which were blaming each other yesterday

> "Barbarous murderers!" declared a headline in one Greek Cypriot newspaper while several carried pictures of Mr Isaac, a newly-wed restaurant owner, being bludgeoned with stones and batons as he lay trapped in a barbed-wire barricade.

> Greek Cypriot television stations said he was one of three men they showed being savagely beaten. Violence erupted after sev-

eral hundred motorcyclists stormed into the buffer zone to protest against the continuing Turkish occupation of northern Cyprus. UN forces remained on full alert yesterday.

The Cyprus Government protested to the UN's representative in Nicosia and to the ambassadors of the five permanent members of the Security Council about the killing.

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#### CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS IN ZAMBIA: THE OVERWHELMING WISHES OF THE ZAMBIAN PEOPLE

Some concerns have been expressed by a good number of our friends especially in some countries in the Western World about the motive of the Constitutional Reforms in Zambia. They have had the impression that the recent amendments made to the Zambian Constitution were arrived at deliberately to exclude the former President of Zambia, Dr Kenneth D Kaunda from standing in this year's Presidential Elections. This impression is far from the reality. Please read on for the reality about the Constitutional amendments.

In 1972 the Mainza Chona Constitutional Commission whose terms of reference were to consult the Zambian people on how to introduce and strengthen a One Party System recommended among other things that the President of the Republic should not serve more than two terms of five years each and that the President should be a true Zambian. In its white paper, the Government did not accept these recommendations for obvious reasons.

In 1991 the Professor Myunga Commission whose terms of reference included the reintroduction of the Multi-Party system repeated, among others, the recommendations that had been made about twenty years earlier namely on the citizenship of the Presidential candidates and also on the limitation of the maximum period of the tenure of office of two terms of five years each. In its white paper the Government could not accept these recommendations again for obvious reasons. The Government however decided that the work of reforming the Constitution would continue after the 1991 General Elections.

In conformity with the recommendations made by the Government under the former President Dr Kaunda, the new Government under President Frederick J T Chiluba, a Constitutional Review Commission was appointed in November 1993 and it comprised members from the Ruling Party MMD, the main opposition Party at the time UNIP, several other small political parties, Church Organisations, Trade Union Movement and several other professional associations. A leading and prominent Zambian personality, former school master, Government Minister under Dr Kaunda, a business man and a respected lawyer, Mr John Mwanakatwe, was appointed Commission Chairman.

The Mwanakatwe Commission started work in March 1994 and gathered views and opinions from the Zambian citizenry from all the districts in the country. It is important to note that during the work of the Mwanakatwe Constitutional Commission, Dr Kaunda was never a factor because he had retired from politics in June 1992 when he helped elect a young man, the late Kebby Musokotwane, as the new President of UNIP. In his farewell statement Dr Kaunda said among other things that he was proud to hand over the leadership of the Party to a young man. He said that he was going to concentrate his efforts in working for the "Kenneth Kaunda Peace Foundation."

In 1993 the Zambian Parliament passed a bill creating an office of the Past President and determined a retirement package for Dr Kaunda which was backdated to the time he left State House.

The Mwanakwatwe Commission repeated among other things the two recommendations which had always been made by the previous Constitutional Review Commissions on the citizenship of a Presidential candidate and the limitations of the term of office to two terms. These requirements do not apply to all other jobs in the country which are open to everybody.

Dr Kaunda announced his return to politics in June 1995. By this time the Commission had already done its work and therefore Dr Kaunda 🕹 could not have been the target nor a factor during the work of the Constitutional Review Commission.

Meanwhile, most Zambian people are disappointed with Dr Kaunda's return to politics. They would have preferred to see him retire and be

Zambia's Parliamentary Democracy is governed by the same rules recognised and applied by all countries with a democratic tradition. A Constitution is never tailored to exclude or include one individual or groups of individuals. A Constitution must take into account the larger interests of the country if it is to stand the test of time. It must serve all individuals and all interest groups of a composite nation.

Our democracy in Zambia is nascent but our commitment to democracy and the rule of law remains unshaken. Democracy in Zambia is based on the people's wishes and on what kind of political governance and consequent legal and institutional systems they want in their nation. The people are the final repository of power and they have the authority to instal or remove us from government. The test will be during the Presidential and Parliamentary Elections scheduled for October this year. Election monitors and observers are invited to visit Zambia during the Electoral Campaign and Elections.

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# Tokyo blitz on subway gropers

FROM ROBERT WHYMANT IN TOKYO

TOKYO police have launched a campaign against chikan, men who make rush-hour train journeys a torment for women by molesting them.

Muggings and general thuggery are virtually unknown in Japan's public transport system. The scourge of the underground and the commuter trains is the molester, typically a sober-suited, white-collar worker who seeks thrills by preying on women crushed in the trap of

The victims include women between stations is impossiof all ages; even schoolgirls ble: passengers on the Tokyo are a target. Three-quarters of underground are packed into female secondary school stucarriages by "pushers". dents surveyed by the police said they had been molested

But concern about the psychological damage to pupils on trains. Only 2 per cent said has forced the Tokyo police into action and anti-chikan they had reported the crime, units have been set up. Anranging from being groped to indecent assault. Japan's culnouncements in rush-hour trains and advertisements in the media urge victims to help the police in catching the Women's rights groups say

trains in big cities that escape

ture of shame inhibits the victims from making a scene and most are too shy to call

for help or to fight back. So crowded are rush-hour

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ened because of the lenient treatment accorded to the few offenders who have been caught, Molesters are normally let off with a scolding from the station master or, at most, a smail fine. Yumiko Sugihara, of a women's association that protests against sexual violence, said: "The issue is the tolerance that regards this deviation as male naughtiness rather than a crime."

The police say they are doing their best. "The difficulty is there are so many of them, and they are bold bevond belief," a woman police

the problem of chikan on

public transport has wors-

# Battle for Grozny rages in face of Lebed 'truce deal'

From Thomas de Waal in moscow and

ALEKSANDR LEBED, the Russian security chief, staked his political reputation yesterday on ending the civil war in Chechenia when he announced a new ceasefire and took on sweeping powers to

deal with the crisis. Returning from a lightning trip to the war-torn Caucasian republic, the general, who is now President Yeltsin's special representative to Chechenia, declared that Moscow's current policy there was a shambles. There is no more important question for Russia than Chechenia. It is an open wound," he said.

General Lebed, who met Aslan Maskhadov, the Chehen chief of staff, at a nighttime rendezvous in the south of the republic, said they had agreed to a "90 per cent ceasefire". Russian troops and the rebels were also to withdraw. In the past week of the 20-month war, Colonel Maskhadov's lightly armed men by recapturing most of Grozny, the Chechen capital.

But the claims of a fresh truce by General Lebed brought little relief yesterday to the citizens of Grozny as the clatter of heliconter rotor blades, the crackle of sniper fire and the flood of fresh refugees continued unabated. Both sides also appeared determined to continue their bloody contest for what is left of the devastated city.

Last night Chechen rebels launched a major surprise attack on the main Russian army base outside Grozny, the Interfax news agency said. It quoted a military official as saying the rebels opened up with massive fire" on guard posts of the Khankala base.

On Grozny's streets, dead bodies lay where they fell and the wounded continued to flood into overcrowded hospitals. International aid workers, who have been attempting for a week to gain access to the thousands of desperate civilians, also had nothing encouraging to report.

But some Chechens, who had heard of General Lebed's peace mission, said there was

a glimmer of hope that a peaceful settlement could be reached. "Lebed is all right," said Shadit Bardurgov, who comes from the rebel stronghold of Bamut, south of Grozny. "He understands that we want peace. His problem is that he has to convince the peuple in Moscow that it is

time to stop fighting."

General Lebed, in stark contrast to most official Moscow pronouncements about the conflict, yesterday made no pretence that the Russian military performance in Chechenia was anything other than catastrophic. He said his car had been fired on twice, once definitely from the Russian side. The soldiers he met at checkpoints were poorly dressed and underfed. "I imagine that partisans in the Great Patriotic War dressed

much better," he commented. The general, speaking soon after a meeting with President Yeltsin in the Kremlin, said he had been given new powers to deal with the conflict; in effect, making him a tsarist-style "Governor-General" for the

He was critical of those presently involved in policy on Chechenia, saying that three press spokesmen should just go fishing and grow raspberries at their dachas". As for Doku Zavgayev, the head of



Lebed: new powers

the pro-Moscow Government in Grozny on whom the Krem-lin had laid great hopes, General Lebed accused him of telling "torrents of lies".

The former Afghan war veteran, who had opposed the Chechen conflict on principle right from the start, appears to have come down firmly on the side of a negotiated solution. "We have to read our own history," he said. "In the last century, Russia could not defeat the Chechens. Diplomacy won. That's how we should act today." He added that "we can talk tomorrow" about beginning a pullout of troops.

On the political front, he claimed that Colonel Maskhadov was prepared to accept that Chechenia could not be an independent state and had to be part of Russia. The rebel side did not comment on that and it is unlikely to be true.

Observers see General Lebed as still politically inexrash to rest too high hopes on his chances of success.

But Emil Pain, one of Mr Yeltsin's key advisers on Chechenia, said yesterday his sheer force of personality might be just what was needed to make a new agreement finally stick in Chechenia. "At the moment we badly need a locomotive which can move the cart from the rut where it is stuck," he added.

A Russian watchdog group, meanwhile, condemned the Kremlin's forces for shooting at journalists in Chechenia. The Glasnost Defence Foundation said reporters from WTN, Agence France-Presse, the Spanish EFE agency, the Prague-based Radio Liberty. and CNN came under fire from helicopter gunships while travelling in their vehi-

cles to cover the conflict. □ Bomb blast: A bomb exploded on a crowded train as it pulled out of a railway station outside the southern Russian city of Volgograd yesterday. A woman was killed and several people hurt. A police spokes-man blamed the attack on "terrorists", and officials said there could be a link with the conflict in Chechenia. (Reuter)



An East German soldier keeps a careful eye on a workman as he helps to build a section of the Berlin Wall on August 13, 1961

# Capitalists make their marks on Berlin Wall

FROM ROGER BOYES IN BERLIN

THE Berlin Wall, which divided the city when East German bricklayers started building it 35 years ago today, is gaining a new notoriety: as an object for capitalist invest-ment. Small pieces of it sell for £2 a time.

There are few big slabs visible and tourists search in vain for the concrete of East Germany's "Anti-Fascist Protection Wall" that snaked for nearly 100 miles.

Checkpoint Charlie has disappeared. The hut on the Western side has become part of an Allied museum in a distant Berlin suburb and the Eastern controls have been stackened. There is now only a mocking wooden board -"Halt! You are entering a building site". — a historic sign in English, Russian and French announcing that the visitor is leaving the American sector and a garish golden

Statue of Liberty. Everything else — the minefields, the dog runs, the watch towers, the barbed wire - has given way to commerce. Friedrichstrasse, once the most dynamic street in the Kaiser's Berlin, was amputated by the wali. Now the street is a long. chaotic building site -- cranes with police escorts criss-cross the former East-West frontier - and promises a return to its

prewar bustle. The search for the Wall is wearying: modern Germany does not want any concrete relics, any reminders of division. The cash-strapped Berlin council has just sold a chunk of the wall to Disnevland: a slice is in a glass case in the Europa centre shopping complex. Other fragments are in the hands of private collectors. Two students bought ten tonnes of wall concrete for £20,000 and are hoping that by 1999, the destruction, their investment worth close to .000,0003

Some parts of the wall. colourfully daubed by graffiti painters, are under a conservation order. But that has not stopped small-time entrepreneurs from chipping away. One segment, known as the East Side Gallery because of the high quality of its graffiti, forms part of an encampment of drug dealers and petty thieves. After one of these squatters was stabbed, the police moved in raiding the caravans and makeshift dwellings. Yesterday the dealers were back, protected by their snarling dogs, and it was almost as difficult as in the East German communist days to approach the wall.

Hans-Joachim Mauz, Germany's best-selling psychotherapist said yesterday that the wall was now in people's heads rather than on the ground. "The Western arrogance is still there," he said. "I can see no serious tendency in the West to acknowledge that the Eastern lifestyle also had certain advantages. Rudolf Stiege, of the Berliner Morgenpost, said yester-

day that of the 16,000 Berlin couples who have married since the collapse of the wall. only 377 involved East Berlin women wedding Westerners. A mere 185 West Berlin en were prepared to mar-East Berlin males. Last year, fewer than 4 per cent of Berlin marriages crossed the old East-West frontier. According to Herr Stiege, even some of those marriages are in trouble. "Different mentalities are destroying marital harmony, Westerners, whether female or male, often feel superior while Eastern partners often suffer from inferiority complexes. If such attitudes divide men and



An East German destroys part of the wall in 1989

men, how can we possibly lowed-out suitcases hope for true political and social unification?"

German unification has entered what might be termed the post-heroic phase. A museum a few yards from Checkpoint Charlie chronicles the astonishing escape attempts of the Cold War: the tunnel dug by students, the car reinforced with concrete that rammed its way through the communist barriers, the improvised chairlifts, the holhome-made helicopters.

At least 255 people were killed trying to cross the Berlin Wall. A further 371 lost their lives trying to cross the East-West German frontier and 189 died trying to escape across the Baltic. Today nobody loses their life crossing from East into West Berlin. but they do have to watch the traffic. And, it seems, they should do their best to avoid the register office.

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# **French Catholics** renounce baptism in defiance of Pope

FROM ADAM SAGE IN PARIS

HUNDREDS OF French Roman Catholics have asked to be "un-baptised" in a protest over the Pope's visit to France next month.

The move comes after controversy in France over the Vatican's conservative approach to such issues as abortion and Aids. Denouncing the Pope as "reactionary". several hundred critics have written to French churches that their names should be removed from baptism registers. Although Catholicism makes no provision for an "un-baptism", most French bishops have agreed to amend their registers to take account of the protesters' wish no longer to belong to the Catholic Church". The movement started in

Montpellier, southern France, where a libertarian association, Vivre au présent, advises its members to "re-nounce their baptism". threatening the Church with legal action if it fails to comply. The association says it will take bishops who refuse an "un-baptism" to the European Court of Human Rights. However, as preparations for next month's papal visit get under way, the protest has spread to reach Catholics who say they have been driven out of the Church by the Pope's teachings. The diocese of Paris says the movement was taking on "extremely serious" propor-

tions. "We had 20 requests for

un-haptisms in June and July

alone, as many as for the whole of the rest of the year."

Staff at the diocese said

protesters often demanded

that their names by "wiped

off" the registers before the papal visit to France on September 19. The requests come 18 months after the Vatican angered large numbers of leftwing Catholics by dismissing the Bishop of Evreux. Mgr Jacques Gaillot, for criticising the Pope. He had called for the use of condoms to prevent Aids, tolerance of homosexuality and ordination of women

The Pope is to participate in official celebrations to commemorate the 1.500th anniversary of the baptism of Clovis. the first Christian King of the Franks, and to many historians founder of the French nation.

#### Airport strike hits tourists

Paris: Thousands of tour-ists who had booked holidays in the French Riviera found themselves stranded over one of the country's busiest holiday weekends as a strike by ground crew and luggage handlers over a pay dispute at Nice air-port moved into its third day yesterday (Susan Bell

Air France and its domestic and European branch. Air France Europe, were forced to cancel a total of 17 flights to and from Nice yesterday. The two state-owned airlines chartered coaches and high-speed trains to ferry stranded passengers to their destinations.

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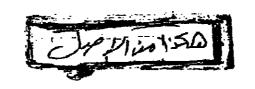
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# Dole's rival declares 'truce of San Diego' but claims credit for hardline manifesto

# Buchanan orders his rebel army to defeat Clinton

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN SAN DIEGO

THE Republican party convention opened with another boost for Bob Dole yesterday when Pat Buchanan abandoned his threat to form a breakaway party, declared a temporary truce in his war with the Republican establishment, and ordered his rebel army to start working for President Clinton's defeat.

"Let us, at least for the next ten weeks, nobles and knights and even the peasants with pitchforks, suspend our battles with one another and join in common cause to defeat Bill Clinton," Mr Buchanan urged 1,500 fanatical supporters at is mini-convention in a conterence centre 30 miles outside San Diego. Later yesterday, he became the last of Mr Dole's primary rivals officially to endorse him.

A Gallup poll provided more good news for Mr Dole. showing him closing to within nine percentage points of Mr Clinton, or 12 if Ross Perot joins the race, and suggested Mr Dole had been boosted by his daring selection of Jack Kemp as his running-mate.

The Dole camp welcomed Mr Buchanan's call for a "truce of San Diego", but it was clear why the right-wing populist, who won New Hampshire and received 3.1 million votes in the Republican primaries, has been barred from addressing the

His fiery speech echoed his xenophobic, ultra-conservaoffering to the 1992 Republican convention that turned off millions of moderate voters. The great issue of the next century would be "whether America survives as an independent republic with her own defined borders, a common language and a common culture", he said. However, this year he not only restated his opposition to abortion, immigration, free trade and the alleged erosion of sovereignty by bodies such as the United Nations, but also insisted he was winning the battle of ideas within the party.

Mr Buchanan claimed with some justification that "whole sections" of the hardline manifesto which the convention adopted yesterday had been lifted from his speeches. "Before our eyes, this is becoming a Buchanan party ... our rivals may be the ones waving from the podium down there in San Diego, but it is our ideas that now reflect the s. assroots of this party and our ideas that are now embed-



platform," declared Mr Buchanan, who wept as he ended not only his speech but his 1996 presidential campaign.

Mr Buchanan's message was utterly at odds with the moderate image that organisers of the official convention are determined to project this week to millions of television viewers who suspect that the party has been taken over by extremists.

The \$28 million (£18 million) gathering in San Diego is in reality a meticulously scripted four-day television show masquerading as a convention. The speakers are overwhelmingly centrist and include numerous women. They have each been told what to talk about, what to wear and not to exceed five minutes. The entire production has been synchronised to fit in with the TV network schedules.

Michael Manafort, the consultant who masterminded the convention, acknowledged there would be no genuine

political debate. Three governors who refused to be orchestrated have lost their speaking slots. The delegates have been relegated to the role of studio audience, and the layout of the hall underscores their irrelevance. The podium looks straight into a bank of television cameras and makeshift studios, with most delegates seated in extremities of the hall from which they cannot possibly see the speakers.

Last night's speakers included two former Presidents, George Bush and Gerald Ford, the hugely popular Colin Powell, and Nancy Reagan, who was to pay a tribute to her ailing husband after an emotional film about his life. It was a glittering lineup, but one far removed ideologically from the strongly conservative delegations on

☐ Washington: The presence of Marion Barry at the convention has outraged most Republicans in San Diego (Tom Rhodes writes). The Democratic Mayor of Washington, once jailed for smoking crack, cocaine, claimed that his visit was to promote his city as a tourist centre.

"Don't just characterise this as for Republicans only, because a lot of non-Republicans will be there, including myself," he said. Republicans retorted that his trip was a misuse of taxpayers' money.



Bob Dole, the Republican presidential candidate, waits to take part in a radio talkshow in San Diego



Supporters on the boat carrying Bob Dole and Jack Kemp to the San Diego convention wave election posters backing the double ticket

# Spirit of Reagan has firm hand on tiller

THE choice of San Diego for the Republican national convention this year may be con-testable politically, given the vast Clinton lead in California and the Dole campaign's need to concentrate on the industrial Midwest.

However, it is apt in a different sense. While this is Bob Dole's nomination, the delegates here reflect Ronald Reagan's Republicanism and Newt Gingrich's conservatism rather more accurately than Mr Dole's position. The delegates are also a reflection of the wider Republican Party beyond this meeting.

The most striking element of the attitudes on display is the near-unanimous support for a radical economic approach. A backing so power-ful that Mr Dole felt obliged to drop his policies and move towards a Reagan-Gingrich agenda with Jack Kemp's selection as running-mate held as proof conversion.

active grassroots Republicans made the party's presidential nominee reassess his views Virtually all Republicans

Tim Hames looks at how

favour massive reductions in taxation, a wholesale assault on government spending except defence, and a constitutionally enforced balanced budget. Any of these positions would have been thought wild 20 years ago. They now count as mainstream.

That unanimity enters wide areas of other domestic policy. There is little dissent about the virtues of a market-based health system, the need for fundamental devolution of power away from Washington to the states, deregulation business, a work-based welfare system, and an anticrime stance emphasising draconian sentences.

There are, of course, major differences in some matters. They tend to centre on the role of the Religious Right and what the party line should be on questions of public morality and personal responsibil-While abortion is the most

obvious and highly charged

dimension, divisions exist

over affirmative action and

what prayers should be per-

mitted in schools. However, even here two things must be remembered. The overwhelming majority of delegates and regular Republican voters accept the social conservative stance, albeit with some exceptions for difficult cases (rape, incest, the

tendency to label politicians exclusively by their views on abortion.

Modern Republicans are badly divided on foreign policy, including related items such as immigration and trade. This may seem odd given that under Presidents Eisenhower, Nixon, Reagan and Bush the party gained a reputation for competent and confident leadership in international affairs. The end of the Cold War

and defeat in 1992 changed all that. There are now at least six rival elements in Republican thinking. Those who favour an activist unilateral policy on behalf of American interests: an active unilateralism in support of American values: a selective military posture: traditional internationalism; military isolationism but economic engagements; and the tionism of Pat Buchanan. Mr Dole's dogged but unusual

More broadly there is a backing for traditional internationalism disguises the degree of his party's splits.

The irony of all this will be seen when the Democrats gather in Chicago two weeks hence. For they demonstrate the opposite traits. The party is hopelessly uncertain of its views on economic and domestic policy. For example, Democrats in the House of Representatives divided exactly in half on the recent welfare reform Bill.

Senate Democrats place a high priority on a balanced budget, House Democrats do not. On the other hand, there widespread consensus favouring a liberal position on social issues. There is also increasing agreement behind the economic-centred foreign policy that Bill Clinton has followed since late 1993.

Whether either set of positions and factions accurately reflects American public opin ion is the most debatable point of the lot.

# Faithful give messiah Perot rowdy welcome

FROM GILES WHITTELL

ROSS PEROT, addressing his Reform Party for the first time since announcing that he would run again for the White House, was introduced by adoring volunteers less as a politician than

The Texan billionaire who won 19 per cent of votes cast in the 1992 presidential election made his entrance at the Long Beach convention centre

'Olive branch'

who owed him their lives, and by an Arkansas woman whose house repairs he paid for after a tornado.

Mr Perot confined himself to "facts and figures". With the help of at least a dozen bar charts, the crewcut candidate, who cuts an increasingly quixotic figure, spent an hour hectoring a packed and rowdy hall on the evils of special interests, negative campaigning and trade and budget deficits. Who do the people in Washington

work for?" he demanded at one point. "Us," the Perotistas roared. "Who pays their salaries?" "We do!" It was a knockabout performance

likely to secure his election as the party's official candidate. It will also dismay those of the party's 1.1 million members who believe their best hope of being taken seriously is under Richard Lamm, the former Colorado Governor and Mr Perot's only rival. Mr Lamm, once a Democrat, attacked President Clinton's foot-dragging on Republican Medicare reform as "a defining moment when my party and my President blatantly put politics above the good of the country". He condemned as a gimmick Bob Dole's 15 per cent tax cut plan, but won loudest cheers for a tough stand on immigration. Voting to decide between Messrs

Perot and Lamm started on Sunday and continues by post, telephone and computer until next weekend when the party reconvenes in Pennsylvania.

#### TWA crash cause 'near right wing'

ded within the Republican

New York: Investigators remain baffled about why TWA Flight 800 crashed last month. but they appeared yesterday to have decided that the cause, whatever it was, was just above the jumbo jet's right wing (Quentin Letts writes).

Pieces of the metal skin from that part of the fuselage were found to have "bulged and peeled", one report said. The suspect area is near the Boeing 747's central fuel tank.

The bulging metal might suggest a cabin bomb, but the US National Transportation safety Board and the FB1 -which has questioned a Lebanese bomber being held by Israel - are also giving serious consideration to the view that the crash may just as easily have been an

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## Arafat plans plea to **UN on Jerusalem**

FROM ROSS DUNN IN JERUSALEM

YASSIR ARAFAT, President of the Palestinian Authority, yesterday threatened to seek international arbitration if Israel allows the peace process to remain deadlocked. He made his comments on

time he has given a full interview to an Israeli media Mr Arafat said that the most pressing issue on the agenda was the future of Jerusalem, sacred to Arabs, Jews and Christians, which he said

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such as the Vatican has within

position of retaining sovereignty over the Holy City reiterated on Sunday in an interview given to the Arabic Jerusalem daily al-Quds by Binyamin Netanyahu, the Israeli Prime Minister - Mr Arafat replied: "We have the Israeli state television, the first United Nations, we have The Hague, we have co-sponsors lof the peace accords, the United States and Russial, we have the Security Council, we have the Europeans. We'll

> no other choice." In response to US pressure, police in Jerusalem yesterday announced plans to round up and expel 100,000 illegal foreign workers to create more iobs for Palestinians in Israel.

> have to go to arbitration. It is

an international need. There is

welcomed in Hong Kong FROM JAMES PRINGLE IN HONG KONG HONG KONG'S largest political party yesterday firmly

ruled itself out of the selection process for the territory's leader after it returns to Chinese rule next year, but said it appreciated the "olive branch" apparently offered by Peking at the weekend Martin Lee, chairman of the

Democratic Party, said that he welcomed remarks by Qian Qichen, the Chinese Foreign Minister, to the 150-member Preparatory Committee formed to set up the transition of power next July 1. Mr Qian's remarks suggested that Peking was abandoning its earlier refusal to allow any role for the Democratic Party in government.

# Turkey joins Iran to purge 'Kurd terror'

By MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

TURKEY yesterday promised "full co-operation" with Iran to crush Kurdish terrorism after the signing of a \$23 billion (£14.8 billion) gas supply agreement that binds Ankara closer to Tehran. Necmettin Erbakan, the

Turkish Islamist Prime Minister, promised a rapid expansion of co-operation with Iran and said they would join forces to stop terrorist activities in the region. He was apparently referring to Kurdish rebel activity on the Iranian border, which has caused

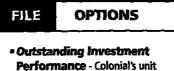
tension between the countries. Mr Erbakan ended his three-day visit with the formal Lines open Monday to Friday 9am-8pm, Saturday and Sunday 9am-5pm.

caused dismay in America. It provided for a 20-year supply of Iranian gas, and crippies US attempts to isolate Iran by imposing sanctions on firms investing in its energy sector.

Turkey has argued that the deal, one of the largest it has struck, does not expose it to American sanctions because 680 miles of the pipeline would be built on Turkish soil and the bulk of Turkish investment would remain in Turkey.

What will worry Washington, however, is the prospect of much closer ties between Turkey, a pivotal Nato mem-

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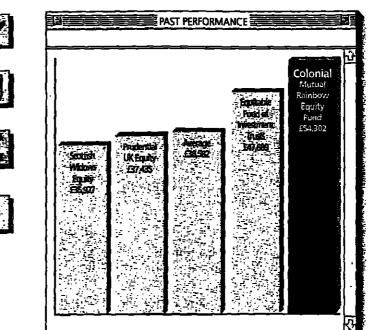
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# My obsession with shoes Living out an erotic fantasy

On Day Two of our series, the irresistible allure of a shoeshop for one woman, and of unattainable teenage girls for one man; plus a look at possible methods of treatment

#### THE FOOTWEAR COLLECTOR

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don't think I'm a shoe addict. I really don't. But then I probably wouldn't. Most addicts deny their craving. It falls to others to point it out. I was first alerted to my condition a couple of years back, by my assistant at Vogue, who could contain herself no longer, as I shuffled by with yet another

small rectangular carrier bag.
"You know what," she said. "you're an addict. I've never met anyone who buys so many shoes." Until that point I had just regarded myself as someone who was rather heavy on their feet, always having to replace a worn sole or terminally

It was true that I had been known to buy three nearly identical pairs of black suede court shoes within the

space of a week, but I'd never thought that was particularly unusual. Now I find a creeping guilt shrouds every pur-

Why shoes became important to me in the first place remains a mystery. The closest I can get to self-analysis is that I must be wreaking my own small revenge on a series of elderly shop assistants in the early 1960s who, brandishing the Start Rite sliding rule, would cast one glance at my

feet and mutter to the accompanying adult: "Oh, madam . . . ! don't believe we have anything that size in stock. Your little girl is a double E.

EE condemned me to a childhood of hideous red school shoes that were always "roomy" and rounded as opposed to the more élegant, shiny, pointed-toe red shoes

EE meant hours of sitting in the small chairs that swung around in the Harrods shoe department, while style after style was rejected on the grounds that my feet would not be able to "breathe". Is it any wonder that I now wear the highest heeled, most impractical and fragile footwear in town?

The other day it did occur to me that my shoe situation was getting out of hand. I was on my way to buy yet another canvas hanging bag for shoes, of the kind that allows you to stack a dozen pairs vertically hanging from a rail in the cupboard.

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This was intended to induce some order into my shoe collection, but I ended up by having to move my clothes out altogether. When my husband surveyed the scene he remarked that it was now impossible to fit anything into our bedroom cupboard, so I tried to compensate by utilising my old Manolo Blahnik and Stephan Kelian shoeboxes to house our toolkit.

I thought that by recycling them as useful storage for plugs, spanners, fuses etc. I was not only being practical but clearing the way for the impending avalanche of new winter footwear.

Shoes as objects do not particularly interest me but despite that I find them almost impossible to throw away. Memorics of my life over the past 20 years can be triggered by a heel.

There is very little as unat-I find that tractive as old shoes, but I treasure the tarnished gold stilettoes embroidered with lita creeping tle blue flowers because they remind me of a holiday in California.

I refuse to throw out a pair of jade green suede boots with a spectacularly ugly heel because they remind me of the excitement of buying my first flat. Some families have photograph albums, I have shoe bags. One of the most appeal-

ing aspects of shoes is that they are noticed by other people. The first pair of Manolo Blahnik's I ever owned were given to me as a cast-off from someone who had so many pairs she would wear them as others do their bedroom slippers.

They were scarlet velvet evening pumps with a Perspex buckle and they provoked comment (mostly favourable) wherever 1 went. It quickly became apparent to me that it doesn't really matter what else you wear so long as you have a pretty pair of

Most Englishwomen do not share this attitude. Witness your average wedding party, where a huge amount of effort will have gone into the hats and will have diminished the further down the body you travel, until you most likely meet a pair of rather shabby dark shoes that have crossed one car-parking field too many. However, while most men remain at

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Alexandra Shulman: "Is it any wonder that I now wear the highest heels in town?"

best reluctant to comment on a woman's wardrobe, they will always notice a good pair of shoes, from which I deduce that they spend a great deal of time looking down at the floor.

The other day a journalist wrote to me that friends doubted I had taken an illegal drug in my life. Perhaps friends should have told him about the shoes.

ALEXANDRA SHULMAN ◆ The author is the Editor of Vogue

FROM

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A MONTH

### Addiction is a disease

MY BELIEF is that addiction is a disease which is inherited through our genes. I base this on research studies in America by Professor Noble, a geneticist and head of alcohol reseach at UCLA, which show that neurotransmission systems in the brain — which in some people. This leads to

anxiety, depression and emotional emptiness, which provoke an excessive appetite for mood-altering substances, behaviours or relationships.

The theory is supported by studies which show that people with addictions tend to have a family history of substance abuse. This is not to suggest that

environmental factors play no part. Trauma or exposure to substances may bring on addiction, but not everyone becomes an addict, because they lack the inherited neurotransmission disease. For example, research shows a significant correlation between bulimia and sexual abuse. However, while people

#### **GENETIC ROOTS**

with inherited addictive tendencies may become bulimic after being abused, those without will cope in other ways. The standard treatment for

ost addictions is pharmalying anxiety, depression and not addressed. I believe that addiction can be overcome only with the help of recovery programmes involving the XII-Step programme first de-veloped by Alcoholics Anonymous. The programme says the only way to overcome addiction is to replace the mood-altering effect of the addictive substance with another activity, and encour-

others in the same position. Dr Robert Lefever • The author is the founder of the Promis Recovery Centre in Kent (01304 841700, outpatient centre

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ages addicts to gain a feeling

of reward through helping

very sex addict has his own thing, the thing he likes the most, although "like" is hardly the word for the inexorable pull I felt and sought and sometimes still feel. It's as if an electronic magnet in my solar plexus were switched on. At its most intense. I'd go into a kind of trance, dissociated, beamed in from Mars, my mouth dry and my heart pounding. One of my partners once said to me: "You are like another person when we go into sex." That's how I put it, too: go into sex. Any way I could get there was fine. But the best way was anony mous sex, with a teenage girl initiated by a secret touch. I spent most of my adult life in public watching for her, checking every prospect for what I called The Look - pouting, furious, damaged, sullen -

short skirts, tight jeans, halter tops, spiked-heel pumps. When I saw her, it was like getting hit in the face by a door. I'd tie my shoelace or pretend to window-shop try-ing to catch her eye. On the few occasions I managed to talk to her, I blew it. I became tongue-tied. I felt like a per-vert, his evil intent blaring like a bullhorn. Yet I wanted her more than anything, so she stood as a constant reproach because I was obviously not sexy enough or good-looking enough or fearless enough to

I was able to write (from midnight to 6am). I could teach, I could laugh, I could enjoy reading or exercising or cooking, but there was often this thing between me and enjoyment: my thing, the thing I liked the most but never got. What I got were approxima-

tions and compromises students, strangers, almost me. When I was in the same room with someone I wanted but hadn't had -- whatever my relationship to her, her husband, or to anyone else - the social world was a thin, irritating haze covering the real world of sex where we should be together. I wanted to touch her, I wanted to have some part of my body in contact with hers. Sitting at a table. my attention was under the table no matter how engaging the dinner conversation. I always knew where her legs and feet were. There could be looks or words, but looks and words weren't enough for me. The signal had to be palpable. Then I'd store it in my fantasy bank, and sneak in there like a miser to toy with it and shape it into a norno video I'd plav

I had always hidden myself from my family. It was not that I wasn't the person my friends knew, but I was also

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someone else, and not just someone else. really someone else, this secret person being the real one.

My primary loyalty was to ex. No human relationship took precedence over it. No marriage, not friendship, and certainly not ethics. When I pressed my knee against an anonymous knee in a movie or on a plane, or tried to hustle someone in a disco, or seduced a student half my age, I knew I'd soon get bored with it.

I thought any man would do what I did if he were powerful enough. Yet since my appetite was infinite, I wasn't nearly powerful enough either. I never got what I really wanted, and I hated myself for that, and hated life, and hated myself again for caring about sex more than anything or anybody, including the people I loved. But I couldn't stop. Just as every addict has his. own thing, so every addict hat his own "bottom", which may



well be below death, as it was for my father, who died a practising alcoholic. There's certainly no rational reason why I wasn't killed any number of times — by an outrage husband or father or sexual partner, male or female, or by

"I'm alive and I'm not in jail" is sometimes the most one can say after one stops the addictive behaviour and experiences full force the suicidal self-hatred behind such compulsive risk-taking. You mar-shal all your intelligence and charm and power to keep the addiction alive - if necessary, at the expense of your own life.

The amazing thing is how any addict ever stops before he dies. Getting fired by Princeton did not make Losing my wife did not make me stop. Risking my life and the lives of my partners did not

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# Can't stop when you've had enough

ependence has many forms. Physical de pendence on a drug is readily recognised. Other people are psychologically dependent on various forms of antisocial patterns of behaviour — extravagant shopping, for example, or gambling, stealing or pyromania.

Patients with these personality disorders have problems with their feelings of selfworth and often can't manage lasting relationships. Their colleagues or parents tend at different times to be either idealised as a saint or portrayed as the prince or prinpersonal life is exacerbated by the difficulty they have in

controlling their impulses. People whose control is sadly lacking may be quite unable to resist temptation. Often the failure in impulse control only applies to one aspect of life, unpremeditated and opportunistic or it may be planned. with the desire building up for some time, with ever-increasing tension within the patient as it builds. This tension is then dramatically released by the great sense of gratification which is achieved whether it is as a result of a morning's extravagant shopping, an eve-

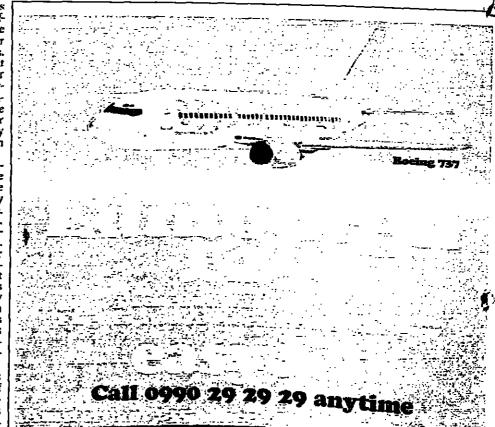
time's raid on the local bank. sleep is followed by a sense of guilt and regret and the previously irresistible pair of shoes does not seem quite so desirANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Other patients who have problems in controlling their impulses in fact make great collectors and they continue to experience great pleasure ev-ery time they look at. feel or use the goods which have been

acquired so impulsively. Doctors are rather pessimistic about their ability to treat those who have failure of impulse control. In some cases their patients fall into the hands of the police or debt

the tendency is antisocial rather than criminal, the best which can be arranged is psychotherapy designed to give the patient an insight into their

> DR THOMAS STUTTAFORD



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# Two weddings and a crosscountry dash

How to get to the church on time in Sussex and Scotland on one day

dilemma. Two old friends. two invitations, two weddings - and both on the same day. Worse, they were at opposite ends of the country, one on the Sussex coast, the other 400 miles away in the Scottish Borders. There seemed to be no option open that would not upset someone.

But they did not allow for the anorak cunning of The Times transport correspondent. The train timetable revealed that there was a hope, albeit slim, of attending at least part of both sets of nuptials. Mission Impossible? Tom Cruise had nothing on us.

My girlfriend, Sonia, and I arrived for Wedding One, a Ipm church ceremony in an impossibly pretty village. The taxi to rush us to the station was ordered for 1.45pm; the train tickets were in my jack-

et pocket, everything was under Two more control. The vicar did us a fahymns, vour, hurtling through the cerand we emony at breakneck speed in would half an hour, A couple of extra have been hymns and we would have lost been scuppered. A quick "offi-

cial" snap with the newlyweds and off we set, destination Kelso. "Haywards Heath station," I cried. "We've got a wedding to catch!"

This was where the transport expertise had come into its own. While most Haywards Heath trains artive at Victoria, a handful wriggle their way through central London to King's Cross Thameslink, within a few minutes' walk of the main King's Cross station, where our train for the North was waiting. If we caught the 2.46, and if it arrived on time, we would have 15 minutes to haul our luggage across the Penton-

Edinburgh express. But this was all in the future. Back on the A27 the nightmare was coming true. Our taxi was stuck behind a dismally slow lorry on a winding road with no chance of overtaking; the 246 was slipping out of reach.

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We were saved by the good sense and foresight of whichever Department of Transport official decided to plonk a stretch of dual carriageway on our road. With the lorry disappear-

IT WAS the ultimate social ing behind us we were safe. for now. On to the threelane-A23 and Haywards Heath bound. We were now in the hands of British Rail. It was at this stage, as the meter ticked through the £40 barrier, that the full cost of our two-wedding flit began to dawn. Having paid £92 for the two return train tickets to Berwickupon-Tweed and another expensive cab ride to come. I was not going to see much change from £200. And that was before presents.

hotels and the rest. The taxi delivered us to Haywards Heath with five minutes to spare. The train arrived. departed and King's Cross reached Thameslink bang on time (and with us another £20 poorer). We settled smugly into our reserved seats on the Edinburgh InterCity.

The odds on our making Wedding Two. which I had put at no higher than 50-50 at the start of the day. steadily rising. Unfortunately, so was the temperature; our carriage seemed to be equipped with the wrong kind of air-conditioning - none at all. As

the sun blasted through the windows, the train was turning into Britain's fastest greenhouse. We might make it to the wedding all right but in what sort of state? Asking to upgrade to cool first class under the £6 weekend first offer was hopeless. The offer was open only to those with standard, saver or supersaver tickets and we were travelling Apex. A quick change in the lavatories to T-shirts and shorts was the only answer

Once again, our train did

not let us down. We arrived on time at Berwick-upon-Tweed, having changed Newcastle and Durham. and caught a taxi for the reception. At 8.15pm, a mere six-and-a-half-hours after leaving Wedding One, we arrived for the final hours of Wedding Two. Triumphant, but exhausted, we emerged from the cab to be greeted by the bride: "You made it, then. I didn't think you would. Come and have a drink, I think there's some food left somewhere ... "

JONATHAN PRYNN



# How to make friends

he name of Fleur Cowles is big in New York, gigantic in Los Angeles and absolutely vast in Texas. I had never heard of her.

Unsurprisingly, she had never heard of me either, although she gallantly pretended otherwise. "I know all delighted that you are doing this interview," she said. "I would like to give you a signed copy of my art book - the same one I took to Chris and Lavender last time I was in Hong Kong. Now, what did you say your name was?"

It is not a question she often needs to ask. As her familiarity with the Pattens suggests. Fleur Cowles knows everyhody who is anybody and mostly has the photographs to prove it. A saunter through her hallway produces more evidence of a networker par excellence. This is a painting Fleur Cowles's address book ranges from Marilyn Monroe to Chris Patten. Mary Riddell on the gift of acquiring chums social round oiled by charm

and money? Where, you, won-

der, does it all come from?

"Oh, each of us has it, My

Hence a London apartment

worth millions, a castle in

Spain, a New York hotel suite

named in her honour and a

staff of four to run every

residence and update her

international address books.

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Oxford and Texas Universi-

ties have benefited from

Fleur's largesse. So have any

number of struggling artists.

(On abandoning journalism.

she took up painting and

happily discovered an instant

talent for a style called magic

realism.) In addition, she de-

and filled out in duolicate.

gether - and there is the Braque model for the ceiling in

published last month. A celebration of the chums she has acquired over the years, its clipped style suggests a bumper edition of Jennifer's Diary or the Mayfair telephone directory. But then brevity is a must when one's address book ranges from Marilyn Monroe to Oueen Elizabeth the Queen

Mother.

Having done the hall, we are now sitting in the mod-'I give the estly named Great Queen London flat, where she hosts her old Mother a friend's annual birthday dinner. party "Oh yes, I see the Oucen Mother regevery ularly. I give her a party every year, right at this table. year'

Of course she has a gin, and she enjoys the company, and - a great honour - she always comes alone. So I have to invite suitable men; not just tokens. "I had Payarotti to sing

Happy Birthday to her, and one time I invited Harold Macmillan. He was 90 and so frail that I thought he'd never make it to London. I kept ringing his secretary and asking how he would get here. He wouldn't go anywhere without his pensioner's ticket because he didn't like paying, but luckily my party was on the day he was made Lord Stockton, so he was in town anyway."

Fleur often drops round for afternoon tea at Clarence House, where she and the Queen Mother ignore the fattening cakes and catch up with old times, "I would never dream of talking to the family. but she talks to me I don't think she can be very happy. I don't want her ever to die. I couldn't bear to think she wasn't just down the street.

"Another dear, close friend is Prince Rainier. Grace was like a sister; no question. We even had meals in the palace." What, you wonder, is the secret of Fleur's social charm? "Well, anyone who was anyone wanted to know people with three magazines, five

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newspapers, five TV stations and five radio stations.

Fleur Cowles was born in Her book, She Made Boston - possibly in modest husband has plenty of money. not care to talk about her background. Chosen as the American Ambassador to the Queen's Coronation, she married the Midwest media ty-coon, Mike Cowles, and unsullied by any journalistic experience - launched and edited a magazine called Flair, which he closed a year after its inception.

Furious at the loss of her periodical, which she still mourns like a dead child, she divorced Cowles and married a second millionaire whom she met on a plane while visiting her dear old pal, the Shah of Iran. Tom Mever, timber magnate and for-

mer chairman of the Royal Brompton Hospital, has remained both her husband and very best friend - a true accolade, given the stiff competition.

Fleur has travelled with Monroe, dined with Garbo and sat on the floor of Cary Grant's hotel suite, eating a picnic, after a shower disrupted the al fresco treat he had faid on for her. ("A charming man, except that he was always trying to get me to take LSD. He was a very heavy user, but it never sent him round the bend as it did with most people.")

She has also been entertained by Churchill (adorned only by a bath towel and a cigar when he greeted her), and her dearest girlfriends included Eleanor Roosevelt and Lady Bird Johnson.

ne could go on (and Fleur certainly does), without finding a single dull or bitter encounter to mark a life of unsullied matiness. True. her criteria for a good friend seem generous. De Gaulle, for instance, is included, even though their only communication seems to have been her suggesting he did not like Americans and him agreeing before storming out.

But what is one failure in a

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friends. I write regularly; if they're in financial trouble, 11 give. I've made many of the greatest painters; bought their pictures, sponsored their shows, discovered them."

Ah, friendship. Who can really explain it, except to say that the size of one's address book seems not unrelated to But that would not be quite fair, for Fleur Cowles, while a little starstruck, is really a very charming woman. And generous to a fault.

In the end she gave me two books. A personal inscription. I think," she said, flourishing a fountain pen. "Now. how do you spell your first name?" After three tries and much crossing-out, we got it right and she asked me to come back for tea. I'm sure we'll stay triends.

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bassadress ("My dearest friend; we're close, close,

close") but then phoned in a

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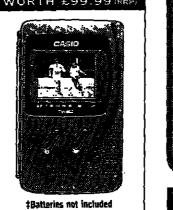
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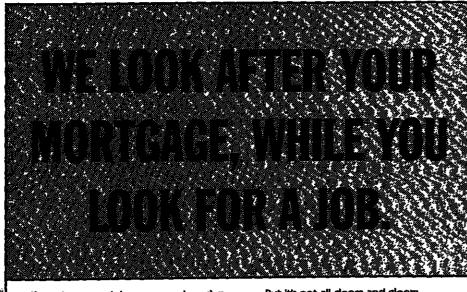
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# Showdown at the single currency corral

Anatole Kaletsky on the markets, the central bankers and the politicians

union? This is the question on everybody's lips in the financial markets, and it may be the first ntem on the political agenda as British and European politicians return from their holidays. The past few days have seen a resurgence of the idea that the German central bank - or at least an unholy alliance of monetarists, nationalists and politically motivated Social Democrats on its 16member governing council - is

preparing to mount a last-ditch defence of the integrity of the mark. Speculators have been burnt again and again in their efforts to prise the mark away from the French franc and so destroy the dream of monetary union. And as January 1, 1999, draws ever closer, the chances of a successful market challenge to monetary union seemed to be receding. Yet in the past few weeks, the markets' com-

placency has suddenly been shaken - as has the confidence of European integrationists in Paris, Brussels and Bonn. Inspired by a combination of French economic weakness and political intriguing against the Banque de France in Paris, the markets have launched another speculative sortie against the franc fort. So far, the attack has been minor, and it could be attributed to nothing more sinister than the boredom of

currency traders during a quiet August, spiced up with some rumours from Paris about a campaign by the Elysee Palace to destabilisé Jean-Claude Trichet, the Governor of the Banque de France.

by other M Trichet has been linked repeatedly in French newspapers with criminal irregularities in various

banks during the late 1980s, when he was the official ultimately in charge of bank regulation. These stories are generally assumed to have been leaked by the Elysee Palace as a warning shot against M Trichet, who was repeatedly reminded by M Chirac during last year's presidential election campaign that the ultimate responsi-bility for France's economic policy rests with the President, not the central bank. Since M Trichet is widely seen in France as the staunchest defender of the franc fort and a close personal firend of Hans Tietmeyer, the president of the German central bank, these press stories have naturally rebounded against the franc.

The flurry of speculation could all blow away like a summer storm - indeed this seems to be what many of the most important market operators seem to be assuming at present. But if the selling of the franc continues and begins to gather momentum - and this is quite likely, given the growing evidence of a genuine rift between M Trichet and President Chirac the implications will be momentous for France, Germany and Europe, and not least for the people who started all the trouble, the 16 middle-aged men who run the Bundesbank.

Why blame the Bundesbank for an outbreak of market hostility apparently precipitated by political intriguing in Paris? Because the real economic causes of the chronic speculation against the franc are located in Frankfurt, not Paris, and because the rift between the French President and his central bank is just a mirror image of more important political divisions among the central bankers and politicians in

To look first at the economics, the key problem faced by the franc and other European currencies still tied

Jill the Bundesbank try to Germany in the European one last time to sabotage European monetary to Germany in the European exchange-rate mechanism is that the Bundesbank appears to be willing to condemn Germany to a long period of extremely sluggish growth and high unemployment. It does not seem to be concerned about the overvaluation of the mark against the dollar, the yen, sterling and other international currencies and the consequent flight of industrial capital and jobs out of Germany. In part this lack of concern stems from a genuine belief that German industry is able to hold its own against the world regardless of labour costs which are between 30 and 50 per cent higher than in other advanced industrialised countries such as

> America and Japan. The Bundesbank's belief in the innate superiority of German industry - much of it based on the performance of declining manufacturing industries in which other countries do not even bother to compete - is reminiscent of the complacency displayed by the Bank of Japan and the Japanese industrial establishment in the early 1990s. But this ominous comparison makes no impression on the selfconfidence of German public and political opinion, still mesmerised

aftswunder of the 1950s. -For France, however, the Bundesbank's acceptance of low growth and an overvalued curren-

by the myth of the Wirtsch-

cy is unacceptable. French industrialists see all too clearly the com-In Europe, petitive challenge from America and the Far monetary policy is a East, not to mention Italy, Spain and Britain; form of war but they do not enjoy the temporary advantage of Germany's export-orientated industrial structure, which makes it

possible to maintain export growth for many years, despite an overval-

The markets know this perfectly well, and therefore tend to attack the franc every time the mark strengthens against the dollar and other currencies. And it is precisely this conjuncture that the Bundesbank has now managed to create. Three weeks ago, Herr Tiet-meyer led the markets to expect a

cut in German interest rates and therefore a weakening of the mark. The Bundesbank council then refused to make such an adjustment. triggering a flight into the mark from the dollar, the yen and other European currencies. The market suspicion is that this chain of events was no coincidence. Herr Tietmeyer appeared to be overruled by the Bundesbank faction that still

wants to sabotage monetary union. In the next few days, events will either confirm or refute these suspicions. At the Bundesbank's council meeting in ten days' time, Herr Tietmeyer will have another chance to argue for a small cut in interest rates, which would signal to the markets that Germany does not want the mark to rise further against the franc. But if there is no such gesture from Frankfurt, the speculators could well declare another open season on the franc. M Trichet at the Banque de France would then have to defend the franc

fort with higher interest rates. To judge by last week's warning shots against M Trichet, President Chirac would not take kindly to this - perhaps calculating that he could instead go over the Bundesbank's head and make a political deal to save monetary union directly with Helmut Kohl. The stage would be set for another great battle between the politicians, central bankers and the markets. In Europe today monetary policy is a continuation of war by other means. We can only hope that this battle will be the last.

image of Miss Universe," she was

told. "They will have to go."
"We're always very watchful,"
says Ivan Martinez of the Institute.

"We didn't give her orders, we gave

her suggestions." The suggestions included rigorous sessions in the Iron People gym with Patricia Ferber, a former Venezuelan body-

building champion.

These will start on Tuesday, as

soon as Miss Machado returns to

Caracas after filming swimsuit

advertisements in Los Angeles. Fer-

ber sounds maternal when dis-cussing her ward. "She has no weight problems," she rumbles.

Before the competition. Miss Machado lost ISIb by forswearing

ice-cream and arepas (buttery

maize pancakes), and by submit-

ting to four hours of daily exercise

fish, fruit, vegetables and water.

a straitened diet of chicken,

"She is a very disciplined girl."

# Michael Portillo answers critics, including Tories, of the demonisation of new Labour

The eyes have it The Conservative Party's cam-paign to win the next elec-tion has two vital components. The first is to emphasise in government and our plans to carry forward our programme. The second is to make plain to people — not the lips the risk to the nation's success that "new" Labour represents.
Daily, this Government an-

nounces new policies and initia-tives that will make life better in our country. I recently announced £4 billion of new defence contracts, which will both ensure that we can defend ourselves in the future, and provide a boost to jobs in our world-class defence industries. Last week, Peter Lilley introduced innovative methods of ensuring that taxpayers' money is spent in looking after the most needy in our

on benefit fraudsters. Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, is introducing a wide range of new policies to protect the public from criminals: John Gummer has announced new targets for protecting our environment, and so it goes on.

Every day that passes, we are taking forward our positive ideas, based on firm principles that have served our country well during these last 17 years. We know what

we stand for, we know what we

want our country to achieve, and

society, rather than frittered away

we are implementing policies to build on our success. The results speak for themselves. World opinion now praises our economy as being the most successful in Europe. We are well placed to meet the challenges that the new millennium will bring.

Within a year, the country will have the opportunity to choose the government that will lead Britain into that new millennium. Voters will be offered the chance to replace this successful Conservative Government with a Labour administration. Because the stakes are so high. it is more important than ever that the electorate should be in a position to make a well-informed

The "new" Labour Party hides behind smiles and soundbites. But new Labour promises new taxes, new powers to trade unions, new powers to Brussels and new constitutional upheaval. That is

Conservative Party began its "New Labour - New Danger advertising campaign. I can understand why some people, including some Conservative MPs, regret that we have to mount a campaign that attacks our opponents. But we have to expose the reality and make the dangers clear.

ew Labour, to Clare Short's

horror, has become ob-sessed with instant reacsessed with instant reactions to the advice of admen and focus groups. That leads Mr Blair to use words that appeal to everyone, but which tell us nothing about what Labour would do in office. Favourite adjectives are 'new'. 'young" and "fair". Everyone wants a "fair" Britain, but views about what is fair vary. Clare Short thinks that it means higher taxes for those on £30,000 a year. Does

The fatuous use of language by the Labour Party, and the reduction of complex thoughts to soundbites and even monosyllables, insults the electorate, whether or not it mis-

The Conservatives have to reveal what lies beneath. Clare Short received enough votes to place her third in the Shadow Cabinet poll, so her views clearly represent a majority in the Parliamentary Labour Party. And since Ms Short knows Mr Blair a good deal better than most of us, her mistrust of him and belief that he is manipulated by "the people who live in the dark" ought to weigh with us.

New Labour's desire to avoid real issues was demonstrated by a report in Sunday's Observer. Signs of recovery in the economy, house prices and consumer confidence are now apparent [This] has prompted Mr Blair to appoint one of his young MPs.

Alan Milburn, to the task of undermining Tory claims of a sustainable recovery. This is the first time in British political history that a party has created a spokes-man whose job it is to undermine

the national morale.

At the beginning of our summer campaign, we developed a pictorial representation of the new danger posed by new Labour. It is the pair of red eyes, eyeing your money, your job and your mortgage.

When Clare Short gave her interview to the New Statesman, she broke new ground. Not inliving memory had any senior serving party spokesman attacked the party leader so clearly and so frontally. Her leader was being manipulated, she said.

Our response wrote itself. Mr Blair's face is the face of new Labour. His is the smile of reassurance. From his lips come the earpleasing soundbites. On the face of new Labour we put the red eyes symbolising danger.

It is a graphic image to warn voters that they should listen not only to what they hear from Mr Blair, but also to what they hear from those who know him and know what is being done to him: to heed the words of Clare Short.

The author is Secretary of State

# Under our starless skies

Light pollution has obscured the stars and all that they signify

e are all in the gutter, looking at the stars. When Oscar Wilde tossed that immortal scrap into Lady Windermere's Fan, it was 1891. A century later, the image does not work. Any part of Britain sophisticated enough to have gut-ters will have no view whatsoever of the stars: it will be so garishly overlit that even Venus cannot compete, let alone the Milky Way. The prospect from the average gutter by night is of a neon and sodium haze pierced by golden McDonald's arches, improbable pink skyscrapers, winking corpo-rate logos, the floodlit dereliction of construction sites and the surly. fearful rottweiler-lights of nervous

householders. It is called light pollution", and is not confined to cities. On a clear night, a satellite picture of mainland Britain shows very few areas which do not glare relentlessly at the sky: darkness rules

wall and Wales, the Yorkshire Moors, bits of Lincolnshire, slivers of East Anglia, the Border Country and the Highlands of Scotland. Over the greater part of the land, sprawling conurbations, suburbs, motorways, public buildings, bridges and industrial sites surround themselves with garish lighting. Most of it is so badly designed that it throws nearly as much light unwards as downwards. Against this, even the brightest moon is an anaemic anachronism, and the stars have no chance at all.

There are industrial farms with cold sad lighting along their grim aisles and barns; power stations shine across tracts of wild coast, rural housing estates install bright suburban lighting as a matter of course. Even old villages, where inhabitants for centuries passed quietly through the night with lanterns, have street lighting imposed on them by fussy councils. Householders, conned by the industry, surround their homes with ultra-bright "security" lights, which actually (as even the Home Office Crime Prevention Unit admits) make life easier for burglars. who can move freely around in the deep shadows at the edges of these blinding corridors. Yet 20 years ago it was a commonplace of village life

that you did not go down the lane after dusk without slipping a torch in your pocket; as for outside lighting, few people bothered to switch on the dim iron lantern in the porch unless they positively expected company. It was a velvet, solemn darkness that fell each night: a full moon gave useful light as well as inspiration, a distant lighthouse might loom beyond the cliffs, and the church tower's shape carved a black ancient shape

against the stars. There are still such villages, but they grow rarer every year and most of them have a view of something overlit. If they are lucky, at least it is only the church floodlit into Disneyland unreality, the fretful flashing of security lamps and the Big House's electronically trig-

gered runwaystyle drive lights. If they are unlucky, they have some more obtrusive glare on the horizon, ensuring that no star can be seen until it is at its zenith. London biots out most of the stars for 50

only over Dartmoor, parts of Corn-miles around it, and tens of millions of homes will never short of a catastrophic national power cut - lie naked to a real night sky. Thus, in cities and in the countryside, we have lost something precious without ever deciding to. The stars have been taken from us by default.

> hese things have been pointed out energetically for some years now by the UK Dark Skies campaign, by the British Astronomical Association and by the Council for the Protection of Rural England. Even the Government's own Rural White Paper last year mentioned the value of wild unlit landcape. However, regulation and law never caught up with technology, and light is still not regulated as a pollutant or something that needs planning permission. This is historically understandable: electric light is a very new commodity and a marvellous onc. There is no point being stupidly romantic: the generations who lived perforce with fragile gas-mantles, smelly paraffin or guttering candles would fall about laughing at the idea of the blessed electric light ever becoming regarded as a pollutant. Nor can the Second World War blackouts have helped; when Vera Lynn sang



Europe by night, glaring back at the stars

"When the lights go on again all over the world", it was something devoutly to be wished for.

But now they have, and we have to acknowledge that overlighting is worse than a nuisance. The Dark Skies lobby is right (even if its name does make it sound disconcertingly like something in one of Dr Brian , Mawhinney's B-movie election campaigns). Its voice should be listened to more attentively; and particularly now, because it transpires that large tranches of the money released into potty projects by the National Lottery will go to increase and intensify this plague of man-made light. Floodlighting public structures - usually in chemical-sweetie colours - is one of the current vogues of authorities and companies, and of the kind of "artist" who is never happier than

when blowing several millions of someone else's money. The Millennium Commission in particular is bombarded with requests for

money to light up skyscrapers, city centres, bridges, everything, Croydon's planned "Skyline" project will have bright pink and purple buildings; already approved is a blaze of laser luridity over Portsmouth Harbour, and all over the country churches and castles are considered incomplete without a set of ugly lamps on gantries pointing up at them, as if they were Dame Barbara Cartlands unwilling to be photographed without their personal uplighter to smooth out the wrinkles. Sometimes this backfires: take, for instance, Caernarvon Castle, which is twenty times as impressive on the nights when the toy-fort lighting fails and

there will be more and more of this useless lighting-up of existing ones. Of course it will be pretty at first, and a novelty; but we will grow sick of it, and the pinks and purples and virulent greens will blaze on for far too many hours each night, and we will be wretched, without quite knowing why, as the stars vanish and leave us in our swamp of neurotic pagan vainglory. t is not just the wastefulnes effects of unnatural light on

it broods black and grim over the

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more big new buildings to sop it up.

that so dismays, although it is wasteful. Nor is it just the illwildlife, although when the Sizewell B reactor site was throwing a hideous glare over this part of Suffolk there was serious concern at the Minsmere bird reserve over baffled migrants and disrupted nesting patterns. Nor is it just the effect on the science of astronomy which has always depended partly on enthusiastic amateurs at home. Least of all is it a mere case of sniffy middle-class aesthetic values, as expressed by those of us who can afford to nip off to Provence or Tuscany for the holidays if we want to see Orion and the Pleiades.

No: beyond all these things, it matters at a deeper level. A religious level, if you like; romantic, if you prefer to sneer. I honestly believe that obscuring the night sky from the majority of people in Britain will have — is having — a negative, depressing, dangerous effect. I say plainly that I believe that in a deep and primitive way, these heavenly bodies have always. served an essential psychological purpose for human beings, and that I would be very unhappy to allow a child to grow up, or an adult to live permanently, in circumstances that make it impossible to see the moon and stars overarching the workaday world on a cold.

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clear night. There you are: cards on the table. stand unveiled as a New Age loony. The lighting industry and the municipal meddlers can dismiss me and blaze on, resisting all attempts to reform road lighting designs, limit the hours of corporate dazzle to early evening, and explode the fallacy that what is neon-lit is somehow safe. They can carry on until all Britain glows

unhealthily, all round the clock. Unless, of course, enough of us feel moved - or inspired by a holiday glimpse of stars - to annoy our MPs and councillors on the subject and keep telling them that it is stupid to squander a new blessing so recklessly that we deprive ourselves of a far older one 🗲

# Slim margin

WEIGHT TROUBLE has hit Miss Universe. The Venezuelan Alicia Machado was awarded the title in May this year, when she was a trim 8st lib. Soon afterwards, however, a televised interview revealed that she may have overfeasted on the fatty shank of victory. The Miss Venezuela Institute



 Sir Tim Rice, lyricist and mid-Too cruch of a good thise

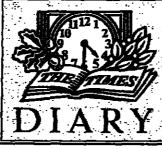
Nashville, Tennessee. He intends to master the hayseed arts of country and western music as guest of a band called the Mavericks. I've often wondered about his exceedhauled her in to be weighed. The ingly tight trousers. scales told the story: more than 9st. Those six kilos are not good for the

#### Pong protest

STEER CLEAR of Westminster at lunchtime tomorrow. A protest group accompanied by a town cryer will be making its way to the



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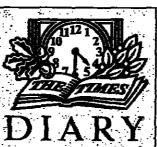


Department of the Environment to present a frightful bucket of decomposing offal to John Gummer, the Environment Secretary. Its leader will come dressed as the stinking Titan Arum lily, which repelled the visitors it attracted to Kew recently

The bucket will be sealed until we reach the steps of the department," says Margaret Brown (the Titan Arum), "then we will cause a stink all over Whitehall." The protest by residents of Torrington in Devon concerns the obnoxious smell of a local rendering plant.

# **Curry favours**

AS SOON AS Gopalkrishna Gandhi, Mahatma's grandson, had



guest commented that the food served there was an "Anglicised version of Indian food". Mr Gandhi, however, was delighted with the splendours of the landoor.

dent Mandela as India's new Am-

bassador to South Africa, he took

himself off for an eye-watering

He hosted a celebratory lunch at

a restaurant called the Raj. One

#### Bike on HELL'S ANGELS are tearing their

beards out over a psychedelic mu-sical which opens at a small West London theatre this month. They have threatened legal action to en-



sure that Kiss the Sky doesn't show

them in a poor light. References to Hell's Angels in the piece, written by Jim Cartwright, were deemed inappropriate by lawyers representing the hairy minority. The Bush Theatre then found that the name Hell's Angels was not registered under any copyright. But perhaps fearing that the bikers might bring monkeywrenches instead of lawyers to the negotiating table, the management agreed to delete the word Hell's from the script and refer only to Angels. Yesterday, the Angels were on the road, unavailable for comment. Thank goodness.

### Wearing thin

MATERNITY WEAR is beginning to exercise women priests. In this week's Church Times, the issue is given lengthy coverage. "Clerical maternity wear remains thin on the ground, explains the paper. A cassock or alb — at first sight the ideal cover-up - will in reality ride up several inches at the front over an expanding bump. "Suitable weekday wear is apparently even harder to come by.
"You're loking," said the manage.



**Bumping along** 

of cassocks to clergymen. "I don't know how many clergywomen are of child-bearing age. But I expect they will go and buy skirts from Mothercare, and wear looser clerical blouses on top. A lot of ours are deliberately cut loosely, anyway. Perhaps they could wear

